

## CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

7:00 PM in the Public Works Building

Present: Mary Ann Kabel (Co-Chair), Carol Adams, Debbie Schmidt, Sherry Leighty, Danielle Meyer (City of Centerville), Austin Steinke, Dustin Venters, and JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison)

Absent: Bob Baldino (Co-Chair), Sue Jessee, Jan Prettyman, Nancy Dyer

### Call to Order and Welcome

- Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM
- Deanna Arellano resigned from the Commission
- Carol Adams made a motion to approve the April 5 meeting minutes, Sherry Leighty seconded and minutes were approved

### OLD BUSINESS

- Welcome Austin Steinke and Nancy Dyer to the Commission  
Danielle will place order for their CBC shirts and name tags

### 2022 Spring Seminar

- Thank you everyone for your volunteering your time! Approximately 80 people attended.
- Suggestions for improvement including feedback from attendees (email sent 4/10)
- Consider other venue options: Sinclair's Centerville location, Centerville Police Station Training Room, Yankee Trace. Venue must be able to accommodate 100+ people and parking. Mary Ann will contact Centerville Police officer Ed Skinner about the training room.
- Danielle will check with MVCC about posting seminar and PowerPoint, share on social media, send to attendees who shared their emails
- Pam Corle-Bennett is confirmed as a presenter for the 2023 Spring Seminar, April 15, 10:00 – 11:00 AM. Commission will ask Pam for topics she would like to present.

### Arbor Day

- Recap from CBC Attendees – Sue, Sherry and Carol  
Dustin stated the City partnered with Centerville Washington Township Park District and planted trees at Forest Field and six other parks.

### 2022 Tree City USA Luncheon – City of Springdale – Friday, April 22

- Sue, Carol, and Dustin attended luncheon at Springdale's Rec Center - very nice, presenter Marc DeWerth, topic "Big Trees Ohio."
- 2023 Tree City USA luncheon will be in Springfield

### CB Commission meeting with City Council

- City Beautiful is invited to the City Council's work session May 16 at 5:30 p.m. in the Law Library
- Purpose of this meeting is to familiarize Council with CBC responsibilities, what works well on CBC, what does the CBC need from Council.
- Mary Ann will prepare a summary of CBC activities, its process for landscaping and holiday lighting awards, and CBC accomplishments to use as talking points.

### Discussion CBC (HOLD until after seminar)

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- Review of final charter, mission, memberships, and responsibility list

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Four Corners

- Initial trimming – canceled because Grunder Landscaping cleaned and trimmed the beds. Public Works will take care of spreading the pre-emergent.
- May planting – Saturday May 14, 9:00 a.m., alternate date in case of bad weather – Sunday, May 15 at 9:00 AM.
- Bob will follow-up with City BBQ and Graeter's regarding lunch after planting
- Summer maintenance schedule – Bob emailed to Commission members. New members to pick up Deanna's dates

#### Landscaping Awards

- Reviewed process for landscaping awards. Danielle will copy paperwork and prep folders for landscape awards and distribute at June meeting. New members pairings are Jan with Austin, Nancy with Sue.
- Dustin will check on rock and plaque order and delivery date. If not ordered he will order and request delivery by June 7 CBC meeting.
- Folders, signs, and potentially rocks will be distributed at June 7 CBC meeting. At June meeting establish due dates for nominations, awards, and photos of properties.
- Members were encouraged to share nominations of prospective homes and businesses for Community Pride award with Commission members to help reduce gas costs. Take photos of the nominees if safe to do so and email to Mary Ann for distribution to CBC members.

#### Discussion CBC Beautification Grant

- City of Centerville Beautification Grant \$250 – Carol made motion and Sherry seconded to table grant discussion. Motion approved with the option to monitor progress of Uptown development and possibly consider Uptown businesses in future. At that time review and update verbiage.

#### **URBAN FORESTRY UPDATE:** Dustin Venters

- Arbor Day 2023 – Continue partnering with the Centerville Washington Township Park District with plans to plant Red Horse Chestnut trees at parks within the city limits. Also partner with them for 2023 Tree City submission.
- Tree replacement or planted grass throughout the city medians where trees have died.

**Council Liaison Remarks:** JoAnne Rau – nothing to report

**GOOD of the ORDER** – nothing to report

Debbie made motion and Carol seconded to adjourn meeting. Adjourned at 8:10 pm. Minutes submitted by Debbie Schmidt.

**Next Commission Meeting**

Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 7:00 PM

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