

CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

7:00 PM in the Public Works Building

Present: Bob Baldino (Co-Chair), Mary Ann Kabel (Co-Chair), Carol Adams, Nancy Dyer, Sue Jessee, Sherry Leighty, Debbie Schmidt, Drew Simon (City of Centerville Community Resources Coordinator), Austin Steinke, Dustin Venters (Public Works)

Absent: Jan Prettyman, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison)

Call to Order and Welcome

- Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM
- Bob Baldino made a motion to approve the May 3 meeting minutes, Sherry Leighty seconded
- Welcome new member Nancy Dyer
- Welcome Drew Simon, City of Centerville Community Resources Coordinator

OLD BUSINESS

2022 Spring Seminar

- Drew Simon will check with MVCC if seminar link has been added to the website: <https://youtu.be/rRHP8L4h-ds>
- City Communications Department to promote seminar link on social media, City and MVCC websites
- Drew will obtain contact information at Sinclair Community and forward to Mary Ann and Bob to inquire about having the April 15, 2023 spring seminar at Sinclair's south campus.

City Beautiful Commission meeting with City Council

- May 16 at 5:30 p.m. during Council's work session Mary Ann compiled and presented an overview of the Commission and its activities since 2019 and constructive suggestions. (CBC attendees Mary Ann, Bob, Sherry, and Carol)
- Action in place: Public Works Waste and Recycling drivers to make recommendations on properties with outstanding landscaping. At the end of summer the CBC will buy each of them lunch (define amount/gift card) and the driver with the most wins earns bragging rights.
 - Debbie asked if there was discussion about CBC members receiving gas compensation. Each member drives their zone at least 5—7 times during summer and holiday lighting awards. Drew will ask about this.
- Mayor Compton asked if CBC members were interested in leadership training. CBC attendees are interested. Drew will check on the status.

Discussion CBC

- City of Centerville Beautification Grant \$250 is suspended.
- Review of final charter, mission, memberships, and responsibility list is on hold until CBC has additional members.

NEW BUSINESS

City Communications

- Drew Simon introduction and background information

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- CBC Budget review – 2023 forecast of \$25,625, which is an increase of 355.56% from 2022 budget is questionable, particularly flower budget which in 2022 was \$300 and in 2023 is \$20,300. Drew will look into this and also obtain dollar amount CBC has spent in the past for Four Corners flowers.

Four Corners

- Summer maintenance schedule - Carol and Bob switched dates, Debbie volunteered to take the August 8 open spot and Mary Ann volunteered to take the August 15 spot.
- May planting – Saturday May 14, 9:00 a.m. – Planting completed by 10:30 a.m. due to much fewer flowers to plant than in previous years.

Landscaping Awards

- Reviewed folder contents and recommendations made to update information and change City of Centerville Community Resources Coordinator information.
- Jan will work with Austin (new member) and Sue will work with Nancy (new member) in their respective zones
- Landscaping award process was discussed
 - Individual landscape awards and Community Pride dates established as follows:
 - July
 - June 24 email Drew property nominations for approval
 - July 1 email winner photos and release form to Drew, Bob, and Mary Ann
 - August
 - August 1 email Drew property nominations for approval
 - August 8 email winner photos and release form to Drew, Bob, and Mary Ann
 - September
 - August 29 email Drew property nominations for approval
 - September 5 email winner photos and release form to Drew, Bob, and Mary Ann
 - When emailing Drew use this format in the subject line: CBC Zone number, Month, Nominations or Award Winner
 - Mayors Award and Community Pride – email nominees to Mary Ann then she will email property pictures to Commission members for their vote. Include a photo of the Community Pride nominee if it is safe to take a photo.
 - Award signs and one rock per zone were distributed. Dustin will check on remaining rock and plaque order and delivery date.
 - Members were encouraged to share nominations of 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. Businesses must be in business for one year to be awarded. Business nominations to date are Beckel Insurance, 11 Virginia Ave and Beckel's Humidor, 33 W. Franklin St.

URBAN FORESTRY UPDATE: Dustin Venters

- Dustin will check if the irrigation system is fixed. In the meantime, if members notice that flowers need watering, notify Dustin.
- Public Works is treating scale on trees throughout the city.
- Tree was removed from Police headquarters to accommodate a new concrete pad.
- Some of the trees planted on Arbor Day were re-staked because they were leaning.

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Council Liaison Remarks: JoAnne Rau – absent

GOOD of the ORDER – Sherry distributed information about the hammerhead worm and garden tool maintenance. Best way to treat a hammerhead worm is to wear gloves and put in a baggy with salt then dispose.

Reminder: The CBC will not have a meeting in July.

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

Next Commission Meeting

Tuesday, August 2, 2022, 7:00 PM

Public Works Building