

**CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION  
MINUTES – APRIL 5, 2016  
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER**

Present: Jan Prettyman, Sherry Leighty, Tom Wheeler, Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison)

Absent: Marilou Enslein, Debbie Schmidt, Arlene Tansey

Leave of Absence: Bill Abrams, Allen Nelson

Guest: Patricia Linegang

The March minutes were accepted as presented. (Sherry Leighty made the motion and Tom Wheeler seconded it.)

**Announcements:**

- Carol Adams was sworn in as a member of CBC at the April 18, 2106 City Council meeting.
- Updates on members with LOA: Tom to check with Bill. Sherry said Allen is doing OK.

**On the Calendar:**

- Arbor Day will be held on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM at Stubbs Park
  - Emcee will be Tom Wheeler
  - CBC members should arrive by 10:45 AM
  - Tree selections include the Tree of Year – Zelkovia
  - Debbie Schmidt sent invitations to elementary schools. MLP will follow up with a reminder and detailed parking arrangements.
- Tree City USA Luncheon is Friday, April 22, 2016 in West Carrollton
  - Leave CPW at 9:45 AM to caravan to luncheon.
  - Eric Sauer is the featured speaker.
  - Centerville receiving 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive award and 4<sup>th</sup> Growth award.
- Plant selection at Stockslager's
  - Meet at CPW at 9 AM on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Four Corners flower planting
  - Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.
  - Rain date: Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM.
  - Debbie Schmidt to contact City BBQ and Graeters' about lunch.
  - CPW will have beds prepared for planting.
  - Sherry Leighty will complete cutbacks.

### **Old Business:**

- Spring Seminar held Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 10 AM
  - Had 130 people in attendance (approx. 30% were City residents)
  - Received very positive feedback from attendees.
  - Jan and Marilou sent ‘thank you’ notes to door prize donors.
  - Suggested doing an evaluation form next year.
  
- “Trees in Trouble” update
  - Have received 2 copies of the DVD
  - Scheduled a screening with CPW and CWPD Staff for late April
  - Screening scheduled at Centerville library on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM

### **New Business:**

- Carriage Trace grant application
  - Discussion included having concerns with stone wall addressed and having a detailed design completed so it can be determined what the grant will cover.
  - Staff to see if it can be determined when Carriage Trace last received a CBC grant.
  
- Summer landscape awards
  - Bring folders in May.
  - Award rocks and signs available for pick-up by CBC members at June meeting.
  
- Urban Forestry update
  - Reviewed 2016 planned work regarding tree removals, mowing and lawn care contracts, and mulch work.
  
- PW applied for DP&L Foundation Grant – should hear by late April

### **Good of the Order:**

- Potential seminar topics/ speakers for 2017
  - Lady who does Kettering Hospital landscaping
  - Container gardens
  
- Sherry Leighty detailed invasive pear tree concerns.

A motion to adjourn was made.