

**CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION  
MINUTES – AUGUST 2, 2016  
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER**

Present: Jan Prettyman (Chair), Bill Abrams, Carol Adams, Marilou Enslein, Sue Jessee, Sherry Leighty, Debbie Schmidt, Arlene Tansey, Tom Wheeler, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison), Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison), Joe Presutti (Municipal Arborist)

Leave of Absence: Allen Nelson

The June minutes were accepted as presented with one minor correction on the date of the next meeting.

**Announcements:**

- Welcome to Sue Jessee who will be sworn in ‘officially’ at the August 15<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.
- Thank you to all for the efforts with Four Corner’s planting, weeding, and upkeep. Sherry reported that Patty Kraft called to tell her the gardens look great!
- Council voted at their June meeting to place a 0.5 percent Income Tax increase on the November ballot. This will generate approximately \$2M for Centerville and help offset the nearly \$3M in State cuts Centerville has experienced in recent years.
- Marilou Enslein reported a dead tree in a median on Social Row Road.

**On the calendar:**

- Sunday, August 14, 2016 from 11 AM to 6 PM is the WTFD Annual Ice Cream Social at Station 44 (Clyo and Centerville Station.)
- Fall reception with City Council to recognize Summer Landscape award winners is set for Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

**Old Business:**

- Summer Landscape awards
  - Reviewed previous winner list – see history sheet provided at meeting.
  - Community Pride nominations – Commission members were asked to send their votes for the September award in BEFORE the first of September.
  - Jan made the suggestion that when an award is made to note the date of the reception on the back of the CBC business card left with the recipient.
  - Commission members were reminded to have the photo release signed and submit the winner’s name and address together with the photo to Holly Bricker and MLP by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Turn in all release forms to MLP.
  - The Commission members commented on the smaller award rock sizes and how well they liked them – especially the flat style ones.
  - New Commission member Sue Jessee will work with Arlene Tansey on Zone 5 awards.

### **New Business:**

- Mayor's award for 2016
  - Reviewed list of potential properties - those with 4 or 5 previous awards.
  - Commission members asked to visit these properties and submit their vote via e-mail to select a winner.
  - The Mayor's award will be presented at the September City Council meeting.
- October reception
  - Request Carin Andrews, Clerk of Council to send invitation letters in early to mid-September.
  - Be ready to sign up for refreshment donations at September meeting.
  - Sherry to coordinate decorations for reception. MLP to get flowers for table.

### **Urban Forestry update:**

- Joe Presutti offered the following update on tasks being performed by CPW:
  - Prior to Americana Staff elevated all trees in the APD.
  - On the west side of Wilmington Pike from Clio Road southward to Center Point Drive all oak trees were elevated.
  - Spruced up CPD prior to their Open House that was held on July 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - At Four Corners treated fungus on roses.
    - Carol Adams said she dead headed the roses 2 weeks ago while up there weeding. Spent about 4 hours over 2 evenings. Roses have since re-bloomed.
  - Provided an update on the tree grant project
    - All contract tree removals will be complete this week.
    - Plantings to follow in the fall with a plant list to be compiled so it can be shared at the September meeting.

### **Council Liaison Update:**

- JoAnne Rau reviewed some of the current items under review and discussion by City Council including projects at Cornerstone. Of specific note was a discussion on the sign and lighting for the hotel at Cornerstone.

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

- Jan asked for someone, possibly one of the new Commission members, to consider taking minutes for meetings. Carol Adams said she would consider such starting in October.

A motion to adjourn was made.

**Next meeting September 6, 2016 at 7 PM at Public Works Center**