

CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES – FEBRUARY 7, 2017
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER

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

Absent: Marilou Enslein, Sue Spiegel, Tom Wheeler

The January minutes were approved as written

Announcements:

- Sustainable Landscape Symposium, February 23, 2017, 9 AM to 6 PM, Frisch's Theater, Schott Education Building, Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, Fee: \$49.00

On the calendar:

- Landscape Design Seminar, March 11, 2017, 10AM, Central Theater, Centerville High School
- Arbor Day Celebration, April 19, 2017, 11:00 AM, Benham's Grove
- Tree City Luncheon, Friday, April 21, 2017, Countryside YMCA, Lebanon, Ohio

Old Business:

- Spring Seminar
 - CBC members should arrive by 9 AM; wear name tags
 - Fliers to be distributed within community; info on website, in Town Crier
 - Door prizes continue to be obtained; will be displayed on table
- Arbor Day Celebration
 - Wear blue shirt and/or name tag
 - 9 total trees to be planted including 3 Chestnut Oaks, the tree of the year, will be planted
- Tree City Luncheon
 - Let MLP know by March 7th CBC meeting if you plan to attend
 - Time of departure to be determined; will carpool from Public Works
 - The City will purchase tickets

New Business:

- Community Pride Summer Landscape and Holiday Lighting Award Plaques
 - MLP displayed the wooden plaques
- Car Magnets still in research phase
- New Plant Cultivars: SunPatiens (hybrid of New Guinea Impatiens) and Garvinea Gerbera (Gerber Daisy) - both require irrigation: may try a few

Urban Forestry update: Mary Lou Pence, Joe Presutti

- Educational articles on website under CBC section: 'How to Plant a Tree', 'Contractor Guidelines', and 'Tips on Hiring an Arborist'.
- Article regarding Black Knot disease primarily associated with fruit trees like Cherry and Plum; found on trees at Stubbs Park likely spread from surrounding

neighborhood. Being treated with trimming of diseased parts and spraying with fungicide in Spring

Council Liaison Update: JoAnne Rau

- Council working on budget and looking at firms to assist with selecting new City Manager.
- Discussed possible retirement gift for retiring City Manager.

Good of the Order:

A motion to adjourn was made.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 7 PM at Public Works