

CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES – March 6, 2018, 7 PM
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER

Call to order and Welcome

Present: Sue Jessee (Chair), Bill Abrams, Carol Adams, Debbie Schmidt, Sherry Leighty, Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison), Joe Presutti (Municipal Arborist), Jan Prettyman, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison); Tom Conway and JoAnn Spangler attended as prospective CBC Commission members.

Absent: Allen Nelson, Arlene Tansey

The February 2018 minutes were approved as corrected.

Old Business

- **Spring Seminar (Blades of Glory: Growing a Fabulous Lawn)**
 - Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 10 AM at Centerville High School Central Theater, 500 East Franklin Street, Centerville.
 - Speaker is Amanda Bennett - The Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator and the Master Gardener Volunteer Coordinator with the OSU Extension in Miami County.
 - We will have door prizes from the following businesses: Antiques Village, Mike's Carwash, Kroger, Siebenthaler's, City BBQ, Graeter's, Centerville Florist, and Grandma's Gardens plus garden baskets from CBC prepared by Carol Adams. Tom Wheeler and Bill Abrams will conduct the door prize drawing.
 - Decorations will reflect St. Patrick's Day theme including several shamrock plants. A Centerville 50th Anniversary table will be in place near the registration table.
 - Sue Jesse and Jan Prettyman were interviewed by Maureen Russell-Hodgson at MVCC for "Centerville Reports Today" regarding the Spring Seminar.

- **Updates for the 2019 Tree City Event, Friday, April 26, 2019, at Yankee Trace in Centerville. Information was on a sheet handed to all commission members.**
 - Seating Expectations 180-225
 - Table linens: Ivory table cloths with forest green and brown napkins
 - Centerpieces: 12 inch round tree planks (trivets) Enhancement to be determined. These will be given as door prizes.
 - Food and Beverages:
 - Beverages: Water, iced tea, coffee and lemonade. Soft drinks are extra
 - Menu choices: Two excellent entrees plus vegetarian alternative

- **Centerville's 50th Anniversary Celebration in 2018**
 - Business, community partner, resident sponsorship opportunities available.
 - Sponsorship funds will support community events like the Arbor Day tree planting ceremony set for Wednesday, April 18, 2018, at 11:00 AM at Stubbs Park. In honor of Centerville's 50th anniversary of reaching city status, 50 third graders from the nine Centerville elementary schools will join Mayor Compton and City Council in planting our newly adopted City Tree: the Red Horse Chestnut plus a select variety of other trees.
 - Other events include Art at the Trace, Dayton Dragons Day, Summer Concert Series, Fall Festival, Centerville night at CHS football game ("Gold out"- wear gold shirt)

September 14, 2018. Bill's Donuts has created a yellow lemon cake donut with blue and white sprinkles and a special donut with gold sprinkles. The culmination of the year-long celebration will be the Tree Lighting ceremony on December.2nd.

- **Recruiting new members**
 - E-mails sent attendees of the 2017 Spring Seminar, Summer Landscape Award winners, and Mayor's Award winners.
 - Mary Lou Pence will have application packages available at the Spring Seminar.
- **Commission invited to meet with City Council Monday, April 2, 2018, at 6:30 PM in City's Law Library at City Hall.**

New Business

- Tree City Luncheon Subcommittee meeting Friday, March 30, 2018 at 2 PM at Public Works.
- Tree City Celebration 2018: Miamisburg Friday, April 20, 2018, 10 AM - 2 PM at the B&B Riverfront Hall. Heritage Village Tour: 10-10:30 AM with Registration at 10:30 AM. Invitation will be emailed to each member. Carpool from Public Works; inform Mary Lou Pence if you will attend.

Urban Forestry Update: Mary Lou Pence and Joe Presutti

- Buckeye /OHeil consultation on irrigation at Four Corners beds. Drip line to be added at the front of the main bed. A sprinkler head to be added in Asahel-Wright House bed.
- Pruning and dead-wooding to Oak and Pear trees on Bigger Road and Wilmington Pike; limb up and clean out - safety first. Tree removals Asahel-Wright house and at Graeter's. Ash, Honeysuckle, Pear trees taken down in Zengel area. Trees are not doing well in street median beds due to heat from asphalt and winter salt. Trees pruned in highly visual areas first, working way through the City.

Council Liaison Remarks: Mrs. Rau

- The Red Horse Chestnut tree was voted as official city tree at February City Council meeting.
- Traffic signal project at Whipp – Wilmington - Feedwire intersection at Cornerstone -- jointly funded Federal / ODOT /Centerville /Greene County project.

Good of the Order:

A motion was made to adjourn

Reminder:

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Next CBC meeting: Tuesday, April 3, 2018, 7 PM at Public Works