

ELM GROVE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
May 5th, 2021

Present: Deb Baesemann, Lorinda Patzner, Nicci Sternitzky

1. Call meeting to order: Meeting brought to order at 6:41 pm
2. Minutes: Last meeting minutes with no changes
3. Treasurer report: Balance of \$7562.98 discussed.
4. Bee City USA: Discussed ideas for “No Mow May 2022”. Have asked about a village observation beehive that was initially well accepted—discussed ways to increase community involvement (decorating idea). Pollinator Week ideas discussed. Will arrange photo for Bee City.
5. Tree Sale: need to wait until June 15th for Johnson Nursery to get information from suppliers
6. Invasive Species Task Force: Discussed a few ideas to help increase awareness of all of the Dame’s Rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*) currently in bloom right now.
7. Publicity: not discussed
8. Book Sale: ordered books will not arrive in time for plant sale
9. Plant Sale: scheduled for Saturday, June 5th, 2021. Have decided to not order *Aquilegia* as it is the only plant treated with neonicotinoids—will make signage explaining that for the sale. Most of meeting spent finalizing details for this event in a few days.
10. Community Partnerships: not discussed
11. Book Club: Sept 15-*7th Generation Earth Ethics*, Oct 20th-*Our Native Bees*, Nov 17th-*Second Nature*. More bookmarks need to be made to have displayed at the library and village hall.
12. Bird City USA: Birdathon event planned for June 6th at village park.
13. Public Space maintenance: Discussed all current projects—not looking to increase our commitments any further at this time given the number of areas we are currently maintaining.
14. History of the Elm Grove Park - not discussed.
15. ATC Pollinator Habitat Grant: will discuss previously mentioned rain garden with Ron Hill for upcoming grant application.
16. Next meeting: scheduled for July 7th at 6:30pm in the Park View Room
17. Adjournment: 7:51 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nicci Sternitzky
chair