

ELM GROVE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2020

Present: Nicci Sternitzky, Karen Schwenker, Katie Forecki, Amy Forecki, Lorinda Patzner, Deb Baesemann, Jodi Perrone

1. Call meeting to order: Meeting brought to order at 06:35 pm.
2. Minutes: Last meeting minutes (Oct 2019/March 2020) not reviewed
3. Treasurer report: per Ms. Stredni there is ~\$4000 balance
4. Upcoming plant sale: This year's plant sale is in 3 days. Final touches put on sale with everyone at the meeting agreeing to volunteer to be there to help unload the truck and set up. Sandy and Karen have tables that Jodi may be able to fit into her vehicle for transport. Sandy bringing cash box, Nicci bringing change. Two smaller tables for Beautification Committee information and sign up, the BEHS SEED Club presentation, information about the yard signs for Bee City, and more information about the Elm Grove Green Team and the composting project.
5. Subcommittees/membership: Reviewed the proposed sub-committees intended to draw in interested parties to help promote our mission including Bee City USA, Bird City USA, Tree City USA/Tree sale, plant sale, lecture series, Book Club, Guided tours, Public Spaces, rain gardens/water quality, Lecture Series, Invasive Species Eradication. Will keep them all in mind while growing committee to size that can accommodate subcommittees. Still seeking officer positions.
6. Tree Sale: Will start promotion of sale once finalized. Awaiting final order choices from Johnson Nursery. Hoping to be able to have at least 5 choices of trees for residents to choose from. Idea proposed to allow residents to purchase trees as memorials/gifts for village to help replace lost trees or trees needed for completion of downtown master plan.
7. Bee City USA: Need to get official sign ordered and placed. Will move forward with yard sign project by further investigating cost to make sign and sign posts while taking pre-orders during plant sale. Need to plan events for pollinators week. Will work on getting honeybee hive ordinance proposed.
8. Other business: Reviewed other ideas committee has had including lecture series, Book Club, guided tours of park, rain barrels, maintenance of public spaces, volunteer program to assist in village/park maintenance.
9. Next meeting: scheduled for July 1st at 6:30pm
10. Adjournment: 7:55pm