



# York County Beautification Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 2, 2022

Meeting Called to Order. January minutes were distributed prior to meeting via email.

- Treasurer's Report
  - Current Balance: \$4,253 which does not include the Keep VA Beautiful Grant funds.
  - Be thinking about investment options for the funds (market days, etc.)

### Old Business & Agenda Items

- Shred Events
  - 3/12: part of the household chemical event & staff will be present
  - 4/30: part of the drug takeback event & will need 1-2 volunteers (parking and load/unload)
  - 5/14: part of the household chemical event & staff will be present
- Williamsburg Area Council of Garden Clubs event: 3/11/22
  - Invitations to be sent to YCBC members
  - York is hosting at the Freight Shed
  - 10 am: planting of two red maples in front of tourism building
  - 11 am: Arbor Day
- Go Green Market: 4/9
  - Volunteers needed (Kelly has volunteered & Sam is available)
- Yorktown Market Days
  - Dates discussed for the committee to have a table: 4/9, 5/21, 6/11, 7/23, 8/20 or 27, 9/24
  - Will need volunteers for these events and ideas on what to have displayed at the table
- Page's Trees
  - Reviewed the format of the webpage for submission of applications. A few changes made in the description and fields for completion.
  - Renaming from Page's trees to something that demonstrates the positive environmental impact that will come from the planting of the trees by schools/businesses
  - Discussed the option of having a plaque to accompany the tree if awarded
- Trex benches
  - Next bench received and will be presented to GBES at their 4/16 fun/run through the garden event.
  - Potential new opportunity to obtain additional benches and consideration of selling bags to Trex.

- The plaque on the YES bench is missing – need a new one ordered

#### New Business/Open Discussion


- School Beautiful Award – this program was a previous program for the county which recognized county school's efforts to maintain their grounds and make a positive environmental impact.
- Clean Business Award – previously on hold, will now be reinstated. Vote passed for Off Leash to receive the first Award of 2022.
- 5/14 – Bug Fest will be held at GMS: Rotating presentations (Butterfly Society will be present).
- Potential Legislation discussion re: polystyrene removal in restaurants with >20 locations by 2023 and from all by 2025.
- Potential for a pilot program by the Butterfly society to HOAs. Sam to provide feedback at next meeting.

#### Action Items/Reminders:

- Please let Sam know if you are available to volunteer at any of the market day or shred events.
- Please promote the Great Clean Up- registration sent via email.
- Next month's meeting will be held 3/2/22.

#### **Attendees:**

Lourdes Guidicelli-Gadea  
Carole Ferro  
Erika Wilson  
Kelly Satava  
Jana Flores

  
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