



**AGENDA
CITY OF CREVE COEUR
HORTICULTURE, ECOLOGY &
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
GOVERNMENT CENTER- MEETING ROOM 2
OCTOBER 12, 2022
4:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of August 10, 2022 Minutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Attendance of Parks and Historic Preservation Meeting
3. Letter to Beautification Contest Winners
4. Beautification Spot Light
5. Ecology issues to publish

NEW BUSINESS

6. Forest ReLeaf Communitree Gardens

BUSINESS FROM STAFF

7. Deer Hunting in City Park
Summary:

NEXT MEETING DATE

8. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT



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Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee
Committee Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2022
4:30 PM
Meeting Room 1

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Fran Cantor	Committee Member
Rachel Eilbott	Committee Member
Claire Chosid	Vice Chair
Paulette Pierson	Committee Member
Mara Berry	Chair
Dorothy Hancock	Committee Member
Gene Rovak	Committee Member
David Hoffman	Council Liaison
Janet Rueschhoff	Human Resources Generalist

3. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of June 8, 2022 Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Claire Chosid, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Fran Cantor, Committee Member
AYES:	Cantor, Eilbott, Chosid, Pierson, Berry, Hancock
ABSTAIN:	Rovak

4. Unfinished Business

A. Beautification Contest Winners

Mara Berry recapped the Beautification Contest and the Committee acknowledged seeing the City's Newsletter article that published the winners.

Fran Canter asked if the winners had been notified. Janet and Mara were unaware of the committee's practice of notifying the winners in addition to publishing their names in the newsletter. Fran indicated that in the past a letter was sent to each winner in their category. Mara indicated she would take care of notifying the winners and then to extend an invitation to the winners for the end of year Holiday Appreciation Party. Janet will verify with the City Administrator and City Clerk this will be on the agenda for the party.

B. Beautification Moving Forward

Mara Berry opened up the conversation on ways the committee could replace the Beautification Contest.

An idea that was discussed was to "Spot Light" certain gardens and/or landscaping that would show the beauty our city. Concerns were raised about a residents privacy and whether or not they would want to participate. It was then suggested we could start with public places like our parks, schools, churches and commercial properties to feature on the City's Facebook or Twitter pages. This would be a project that Melissa Bradford, PIO would need to assist the committee in doing.



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Janet suggested she talk to Melissa about the time commitment and also her supervisors to make sure this would not interfere with her normal work load. Mara & Janet will meet with Melissa to discuss in depth.

5. New Business

A. Welcome New Members

Mara Berry had everyone introduce themselves starting with our new member, Gene Rovak. Gene shared with the committee his background and work with the P & Z Committee. Mara also welcomed back, Rachel Eilbott, who had served on the HEB committee for many years in the past.

All members expressed their appreciation to have Rachel and Gene as members of HEB!

B. Deer Article

Mara had Claire Chosid talk about the informational news article for the City's September Newsletter. Claire explained the article will demonstrate ways for residents to protect young plantings from deer browsing. Claire included where residents could pick up the supplies; demonstration photos as well as step by step instructions.

The group suggested to put it on the HEB web page as well. Janet will post when it's available.

C. Joining PHP for Meetings

Mara shared with the Committee her conversation with Jason Valvero about the PHP Committee goals and objectives and that there is potential for them to overlap with HEB. Mara asked Jason if the HEB Committee could attend some PHP committee meetings to share resources, ideas and combine efforts. The next meeting would be on September 14th at 5:00 pm. Fran and Claire indicated they could go and would report back to the HEB Committee at our October meeting.

D. October's Meeting - Forest ReLeaf Arboretum

Mara informed the committee that on October 12, 2022, she has arranged a tour of the Forest ReLeaf nursery from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm. The nursery is located off of Creve Coeur Mill Road. The Committee decided to meet back at the Gov't Center in order to conduct our business meeting.

Janet will send out a calendar invite to the group with the details.

6. Comments from the Public

No members of the public were present.

7. Business from Members

Paulette Pierson asked if we as a committee could do something in memory of long-time member and city volunteer, Jim Graham. Claire Chosid mentioned that she had already gotten a plaque and put it on the Tappmeyer House Gardens earlier not long ago.

Suggestions included:

Planting a tree with memorial plaque in Millennium Park



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Placing a plaque on a bench in Millennium Park

Plaque placed on the Dogwood Tree the Committee planted for Arbor Day last year.

A majority of the committee seemed in favor of a tree rather than a bench. Concerns had to do with the cost of the bench and the fact a tree seemed to be a better fit for the person we want to memorialize.

8. Business from Staff Liaison

No business from the Staff Liaison.

9. Adjourn

1. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Claire Chosid, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Paulette Pierson, Committee Member
AYES:	Cantor, Eilbott, Chosid, Pierson, Berry, Hancock, Rovak