



Tree Board

MEETING AGENDA

Berryville-Clarke County Government Center

101 Chalmers Court, Second Floor

Main Meeting Room

Regular Session

April 3, 2024

6:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes**  
Minutes January 3, 2024
3. **Recap- Invasive Species Presentation**
4. **Discussion- Upcoming activities**
5. **Other**
6. **Adjourn**

**BERRYVILLE TREE BOARD**  
**Berryville-Clarke County Government Center**  
**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 3, 2023**

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The organizational meeting of the Berryville Tree Board was held on Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Berryville – Clarke County Government Center located at 101 Chalmers Court in Berryville, Virginia.

**Attendance:**

Members present: Loretta Allison, Ariel Firebaugh, Sharon Strickland, Kelly Wood-Brondstater

Member absent: no one

Staff present: Christy Dunkle, Community Development Director

**Call to Order**

Ms. Dunkle called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

**Election of Officers**

Ms. Dunkle asked for nominations for chair and vice chair. Ms. Allison made the motion to retain Ms. Strickland and Ms. Wood-Brondstater as chair and vice chair, respectively. The motion passed by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Wood-Brondstater made the motion to approve the minutes of October 4, 2023 as presented. They were seconded by Ms. Allison and approved by consensus.

**Discussion – Upcoming Activities**

Chair Strickland welcomed members to the meeting. She discussed the annual Arbor Day event at the Clarke County Farmers’ Market. Ms. Dunkle said she will contact the farmers’ market manager and Bartlett Tree Experts to assure a space at their opening day on May 4, 2024.

Chair Strickland drafted a general information sheet about the Tree Board. There was a discussion about creating a rack card.

There was a discussion about organizations that the Tree Board could ask to partner with to present workshops and educational outreach. Subjects discussed include pruning, invasive plant removal including ivy and winterberry, native plants, and American chestnuts. Ms. Wood-Brondstater recommended contacting residents in older neighborhoods where there are a large number of mature trees covered with ivy. There was a discussion about having two events a year including a

pruning event in the fall. Ms. Firebaugh offered to inquire about possible involvement from Blandy staff and to assist the Tree Board with organizing public events.

**Other**

There was a brief discussion about locations for the Tree City USA signs. Ms. Wood-Brondstater and staff will make some suggestions for possible installation areas.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, Chair Strickland adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

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Sharon Strickland, Chair

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Christy Dunkle, Recording Secretary