

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

The quarterly meeting of the Berryville Tree Board was held on Wednesday, April 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: Kelly Wood-Brondstater, Vice Chair, Loretta Allison, Ariel Firebaugh,

Member absent: Sharon Strickland, Chair

Staff present: Christy Dunkle, Community Development Director

Call to Order

Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater called the meeting to order 6:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Allison made the motion to approve the minutes of January 3, 2024 as presented. They were seconded by Ms. Firebaugh and approved by consensus.

Recap – Invasive Species Presentation

Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater complimented Ms. Firebaugh on the presentation adding that she learned some valuable information. There was a discussion about promoting the next event in the Clarke Monthly newspaper and possible topics for the next presentation. Ms. Firebaugh said that fall would be a good time to have an herbicide presentation. Ms. Allison suggested having information about pruning at the market. Ms. Firebaugh said that Virginia Cooperative Extension may have some information we could distribute. Ms. Dunkle said she would contact the market manager and the representative from Bartlett to confirm the Tree Board’s attendance and giveaway.

Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater suggested a larger table. Ms. Allison suggested additional information on winterberry control. Ms. Dunkle said she would print information that is available online for the market. There was a discussion about adding information to the Town’s website about the Tree Board’s presentations.

There was a discussion about a summer program including a tree walk through Rose Hill Park or Chet Hobert Park. Ms. Allison suggested adding shrubs to the informational walk. Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater suggested an evergreen focus. Ms. Dunkle said she would contact Clarke County Parks

and Recreation to see if they wanted to partner with the Tree Board. Ms. Firebaugh suggested a presentation about spotted lanternfly control in the fall.

There was a discussion about promotions and Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater offered to write an article to submit to the Clarke Monthly paper.

Other

Ms. Dunkle noted that the next meeting is on July 3. She said she will check the meeting room availability to change it to the week prior or the week after.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Vice Chair Wood-Brondstater adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Kelly Wood-Brondstater, Vice Chair

Christy Dunkle, Recording Secretary