

Shenandoah Civic Club Minutes

March 8, 2022

- **Call to order**
 - Meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Presiding Officer Debbie Pilcher
- **Roll Call**
 - Voting Members present:
 - New: Page Allen
 - Betty Lahiri, Lauren Munn, Sharon Siri, Norma McGee, Tami Webb, Charley Ballmer, Dixie McLeod.
 - Secretary: Wendy Bradt
 - Councilman: Charlie Bradt
 - Presiding officer: Debbie Pilcher
- **Approve minutes from February 2022 meeting**
 - **Motion:** Tami Webb
 - **Second:** Norma McGee
 - Minutes pass unanimously
- **Chair Reports**
 - Yard of the Month: Due to the weather and the change of seasons we are holding off until April.
- **Old Business**
 - **Arbor Day:** Chair Wendy Bradt
 - Arbor Day was March 5 at the Public Works bay
 - The weather was fantastic to hold this event
 - We had 40 to 50 attendees
 - This event is done in coordination with the City of Shenandoah.
 - The Woodlands Garden Club was in attendance and handed out a variety of seed packets and information for the residents. The Club also donated snapdragons or a marigolds to attendees.

- The Children's Craft area was busy. Children made handprint leaves for a tree display we made. They also got their choice of a craft to make to take home.
 - For the plant exchange: Arnie Petter, one of our residents brought in 200 plants to exchange with other residents.
- **Spring Community Garage Sale**
 - At the time of the meeting we had a small group signed up, smaller than the fall event in 2021.
 - The Civic Club decided to hold sign-ups till Wednesday, March 16, before deciding if there were enough to continue the event. Our cut-off number of sign-ups was 20. If we did not have that number by that day we would make a decision whether to go forward.
 - Volunteers were also needed to help place the directional signs out in the city for the day of the event and pick them up.
 - The event was Saturday, March 19, from 8 am to 1 pm
- **Easter Hunt Update**
 - Council approved the transfer of approximately \$4,000 from unused account to go into the Easter budget for 2022. Because we are changing the event format this year and facing increasing costs, we will use the remaining funds from LOTA and luminaries.
 - The Easter Egg Hunt will take place Saturday, April 9, at the City Park from 10 am to noon.
 - The children must be out near the soccer field area for the egg hunt at 10 am. As usual, it will be divided up into age sections. All eggs will be empty this year for the hunt and children can exchange the eggs for an Easter basket.
 - Entertainment will included balloon artists and face painters. Our DJ Gordy will be on hand for our music enjoyment. Last but certainly not least The Easter bunny will be available for Bunny & Me pictures.

- A new Tommy the Train will be available for rides and transportation to parking lots as needed.
- Easter Work Day
 - Easter work day to prepare the baskets will be Monday, April 4 starting at 10 am.
- **New Business**
 - Shenandoah Residents Scholarship
 - Chair for this event: Dixie McLeod
 - Dixie provided a hand out explaining the details about the scholarships and how the process will proceed.
 - The essay packets are due April 8 at 5 pm
 - Civic Club members will be on hand to judge the essays; if interested, email Debbie.
 - There was discussion to possibly change this event to a digital format for next year. The participants would put their project results on a thumb drive and send it in.
- **Police briefing**
 - Sgt. Joel Gordon could not be at tonight's meeting.
- **Adjourn**
 - Motion: Wendy Bradt
 - Second: Charley Ballmer
 - Meeting was adjourned at 7 pm
- **Next Meeting**
 - The next meeting will be Tuesday April 12, at 6 pm

Wendy Bradt

Civic Club Secretary

Date Approved