

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CLEVELAND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
CLEVELAND TREE BOARD

April 14, 2022

**Members present:** Mary Anna Davis, Betsy Abraham, Desira Warrington, Myrtis Tabb,  
Jane Dunlap, Charlene Wolfe

Chair Myrtis Tabb called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

After review of the minutes of the March 2022 meeting, Betsy Abraham made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mary Anna Davis seconded the motion. The vote of approval was unanimous.

**Budget Review**

The Beautification Commission reviewed the current budget. Myrtis Tabb noted that the commission needs to be very aware of the budget moving forward.

**Old Business**

1. Earth Day was held on April 9, 2022 and was a big success. More items were taken in this year, than in the years past. Adolph Hilliard, Myrtis Tabb, Desira Warrington, Ray Bell, Bolivar County Master Gardeners, and the Bolivar County Homemaker Volunteers all volunteered at the event. The posters for this year were much better than previous posters. Next year we need to make certain to include the Bolivar County Extension Service as a sponsor on the poster.
2. The Big Green Event is scheduled to take place on April 23, 2022. Mary Anna Davis and Betsy Abraham have submitted projects for the volunteers. Beautification Commission will provide trash bags for the event.
3. The wildflower plot in Firemen's Park is doing well. The plants are all up and there are blooms on many of the plants. The other plots are still a little too wet to add dirt and to plant.
4. The plants in the downtown planters still look great, so the commission decided to wait until May to replace those with the new plants for summer. Mary Anna Davis has purchased the new plants for the planters.
5. The hanging baskets are in the greenhouse at CS & S Landscaping and are ready to be hung downtown. The Beautification Commission would like to have those up before Crosstie on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mary Anna will speak with Stephen Ferri and Sarah Strain about transporting and hanging the baskets.

**New Business**

1. Myrtis Tabb will attend the Keep Mississippi Beautiful Conference in Jackson on April 28th and 29<sup>th</sup> in Jackson. On Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>, KMB will present individual achievement awards at a

ceremony at the Jackson Country Club. Mrs. Jane Dunlap will be honored with the Louise Godwin Award, in honor of her many years of service.

**Chamber Report**

1. Mainstreet Cleveland recently held a strategic planning session. Myrtis Tabb stressed the importance of all groups working together.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Cleveland Beautification Commission



Myrtis Tabb, Chair