

Agenda
Bexley Tree and Public Gardens Commission
Wednesday, January 18, 2023 - 4:00 to 6:00 PM - Bexley City Council
Chambers
Bexley, OH

1. Convening the Meeting:

a. Call to Order/Call the Roll – Susan Quintenz, Chair

Establish a quorum:

- Celeste, Barb, Ellen, Sheila and Mollie unavailable
- Appoint alternate
- Zoom rules, Jordan Cavallaro

b. Approval of Minutes of December 19, 2022 – Mrs. Quintenz

c. Additions to agenda – Mrs. Quintenz

d. Announcements/Small Victories/Comments:

1. Bexley In Bloom/Trees for Bexley updates – EOY TOTAL - \$ 54, 058.00
2. Garden Programs – Mary McMunn
3. Arbor Day/Month Celebrations Committee updates
December 2023 Meeting date – Monday, December 18?
4. Recognition
5. Other

2 Requests from Residents:

a. Other

3 Review of Landscape Applications – Elena Andrews, Staff Consultant

- a. Timeline for completion – one year from approval to installation or a Record of Action stipulation
Suggested narrative for application

Special Guest – Gary Lewis, Bexley, Chief of Police

4. Mayor's Report: Ben Kessler, Mayor, City of Bexley

a. Year of the Parks Updates

1. Havenwood refresh
2. Commonwealth Plaza
3. Reading Garden, 1876 Plaza, Dog Park, Schneider Park, Main Street entrance to Alum Creek trail, intersection of Astor with Schneider trail, others

- b. Architectural Review guidelines at City Council
- c. Inspector consultant
- d. Volcano mulch ordinance
- e. Mayor's Goals for 2023
- f. Other

5. Staff Report: Elena Andrews, Staff Consultant

- a. Review of approved projects
- b. Other

6. Staff Report: Grant Archer, Bexley Urban Forester, Ass't Service Director

- c. State of the Urban Forest: Upcoming projects
 - Spring plantings
 - Parkview project
 - Removals
- d. Other

7. Old Business:

- a. Refining the Arboretum Website: updates – Mrs. Quintenz
- b. Tree Plotter – Jim Wilson, Vice Chair
- c. Commission Conversations; Round two – Mr. Wilson
- d. Tree plantings at intersections – Mr. Wilson
- e. Invasive plants, trees, shrubs study group – Mary McMunn
- f. Other

8. New Business:

- a. Goals for 2023 – a two-way conversation dovetailing our goals and the City's goals
- b. Community Gardens under Tree Commission umbrella – Mary McMunn
- c. Other

9. City Council Liaison: Lori Ann Feibel

- a. City Council Updates

10. Adjourn

Bexley in Bloom 2022

\$17,966 - Total Gifts

137 - # of Donors

\$131 – Average Gift

Bexley in Bloom 2021

\$16,440 – Total Gifts

152 - # of Donors

\$108 – Average Gift

Trees for Bexley 2022

\$36,092 – Total Gifts

110 - # of Donors

\$328 – Average Gift

Trees for Bexley 2021

\$33,237 – Total Gifts

117 - # of Donors

284 – Average Gift

**The two campaigns raised a total of \$54,058 for the Beautification Fund in 2022! Congratulations to a job well done!
In 2021, the two campaigns raised \$ \$49,677 for the Bexley Beautification Fund.**