

**Beautiful Association  
April 17, 2009 Minutes**

President Barbara Knox called the meeting to order at noon and welcomed 25 members. Guests attending were: Carl Hendrickson, David Greathouse, Camilla Bowman and Juana Cole. New member Carl Lee was introduced.

President Barbara Knox introduced our speaker, Chris Enroth, McDonough Henderson, Knox, and Warren County Extension Service Advisor. Chris spoke on the following topics:

Assessing tree health

Tree selection

Proper planting and proper mulching

Diversifying canopy

Selecting trees for year around interest

Buying a tree with a vigorous and healthy root system

He stresses the next 20 years of a tree's life is determined by the first 20 minutes.

He recommended we watch a U-Tube video "How to Kill Your Tree"

Barb thanked Penny and Jim Yunker for updating the MBA web site.

**Minutes** of the March 20, 2019 were distributed. No corrections or changes were suggested. Sharon Lindahl and Sandy Nelson moved to approve the minutes. Motion Carried. These minutes are attached.

**The Financial Report** for March was presented by Penny Yunker. The \$10,000. Certificate of Deposit has been reinvested. The interest was deposited to the cash account. Financial report is attached. Membership dues are continuing to be received.

**By Laws.** Penny Yunker made the motion to approve the changes to the by-laws as

proposed in the March 2019 minutes. Seconded by Rosemary Aten, Motion carried.

**Fundraising.** Sharon Lindahl reminded us the Macomb Beautiful Card Party will be held June 6, 2019, at the Macomb Country Club at 1:00 pm. Members are encouraged to sign up for a table. If you have any regiftable items which could be used as door prizes, please notify Sharon. Participants will pay \$15.00.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.** Maureen Marx, reported their committee is increasing. The committee is currently Maureen Marx, Penny Yunker, Rosemary Aten, Sharon Lindahl, Teresa Kepple, Morris Vos, and Garnette Hallwas.

The committee has contacted Becky Paulsen,, Western Illinois University, Scott Coker, City of Macomb, Rachel Lenz, Macomb Park District, and Steve Hensley, NTN Bower for their participation.

Doug Oursler, a local sculptor, has been contacted to design a sculpture or piece of art for our approval. Doug will present several possible drawings at the June meeting and a mock up at the September meeting of Macomb Beautiful. The committee is considering locations for the sculpture or piece of art. The finished piece will be dedicated and installed in 2022.

If we approve one of the drawing in June, Macomb Beautiful members will be asked to approve seed money before the major fund raising begins.

**Train Station.** Victoria Engnell has been to the West Prairie Greenhouse to see the geraniums. The Open house is April 20, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. Hours will continue through out the season from 8:30 am to 3:00 Monday through Friday and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

**Chandler Park** Penny Yunker announced cleanup in Chandler Park is scheduled for

April 20 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Bring gloves and garden tools. The roses will be dug up and replaced. Two 4-H Clubs and One FFA Group will be assisting. John Looman and Wilma Wilson will be spreading mulch around the south side of the Courthouse. Sue Marshall will be spreading mulch around the north side of the Courthouse. Saturday will be Earth day in Chandler Park. City Planters - MBA members and members of 4-H will be planting flowers in the planters around the Square on May 11 and will be planting flowers for the Western Illinois Museum that same day. Siraj Hull has donated hand made note cards for Macomb Beautiful to sell as a fundraiser, price is 3 cards for \$5.00.

**Arbor Day Tree Planting** will be from 1:00 to 2:15 pm at Lincoln School on Friday April 26th. The 3rd grade class is going to participate in the plantings. There will be 5 trees to plant to give the students a chance to help plant trees along Bonham Street.

**Memorial Tree Planting** to honor Roger Barclay will take place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Memorial Park at the corner of Candy Lane and East Jefferson St. Roger was a long-time member and active in Macomb Beautiful activities.

**Gardening Days** will be held at MacArthur Early Childhood Center on Tuesday, April 30 at 5:00 pm. The community is invited to help with raking, laying mulch and weeding. Please RSVP to 309-833-4273 if you can help.

The winner of the \$5.00 free lunch was Carl Lee. He graciously donated the money back to Macomb Beautiful as a contribution. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Pastorelli, Secretary.*

