## SEED Meeting Minutes: May 1st, 2019

- 1. Introduction of newest SEED member Leigh Scott, whose induction is on the agenda of the next City Council meeting
- 2. Wanda Cooley: MAP and SEED will be joining together on August 27th for Coffee & Count and Pollinator Picnic at the Clubhouse.
  - a. Coffee & Count: 10 AM Noon. Residents can visit the clubhouse and get a quick training in how to participate in the Great Georgia Pollinator Count, then report back with their findings
  - b. Pollinator Picnic: Noon 3 PM. Residents will drop off their contributions for the community art project (wood cut pollinators painted by residents). SEED and Bee City will provide informational tables with handouts.
  - c. Leigh has a large whiteboard that she can bring to tally pollinators residents bring back their counts. Official tallies can be reported by individual citizen scientists.

## 3. Carrie:

- a. Susan Granberry suggests that Pine Lake recertify as a Tree City, and she would e able to come to a SEED or City Council meeting.
- b. DNR has a new urban biologist and Carrie will use that person to help her find a speaker on wildlife for the fall speaker series.

## 4. Community garden:

- a. SEED is the new liaison for the community garden. All 9 plots are now rented (2 were raffled at the SEED table at the Pollination Celebration, with MAP paying for one plot and SEED paying for the second), and each gardener has been given a list of "best practices."
- b. SEED will spearhead a clean-up day at the end of May with the community gardeners to clean up the area around the shed. The red tip ligustrum is becoming overrun with ivy and could use a trim.
- c. Aaron suggested that we also plan perennials or edibles around the garden for next year to serve as a perimeter or living fence.
- 5. Aaron: Kudzu workshop is in July, and Aaron and Brandy are trying to get Zev Freeman to lead a community discussion the day before that SEED would promote. If Zev is not available, Shades of Green can also give a lecture.
- 6. Plant sale is ready to roll on Saturday. Jennifer will move the sale from Fleeman Park to the Beach House if it rains.
- 7. Melanie suggests an ivy awareness campaign, and Aaron suggests educating residents to use ivy and understand its benefits to the soil
- 8. Melanie suggests that SEED join with the Rockbridge Commercial Corridor Task Force to expand their work. Jennifer will begin attending meetings.