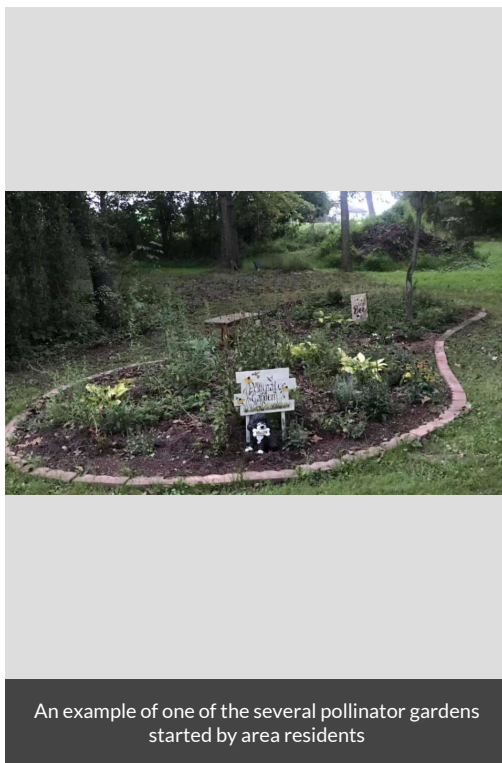
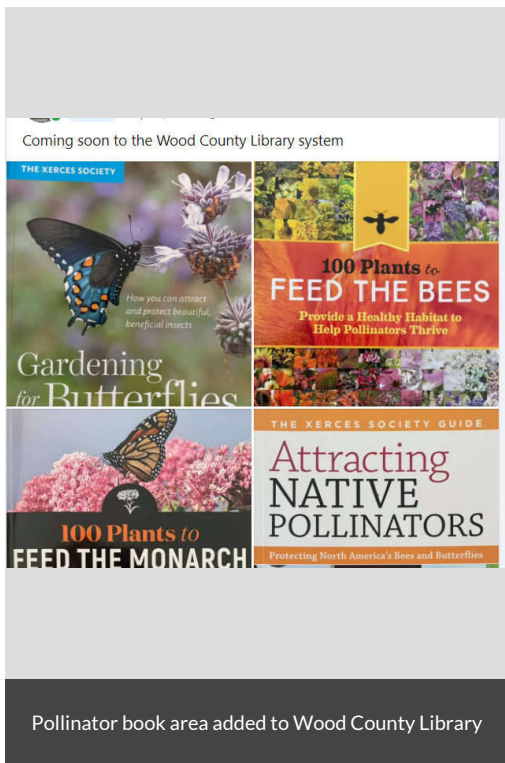


Bee City USA - Williamstown

Report on 2021

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

We had continued growth in our Armstrong Garden, converting it from a garden featuring flower beds to a meadow type pollinator garden. Also, we did several strip pollinator gardens in town including one next to our Elementary School for exposure to the young students. Our local library created a pollinator garden that ended up hosting several monarch butterflies and their cocoons. The city also passed an Integrated Pest Management Program that has banned the use of chemicals by our city departments.

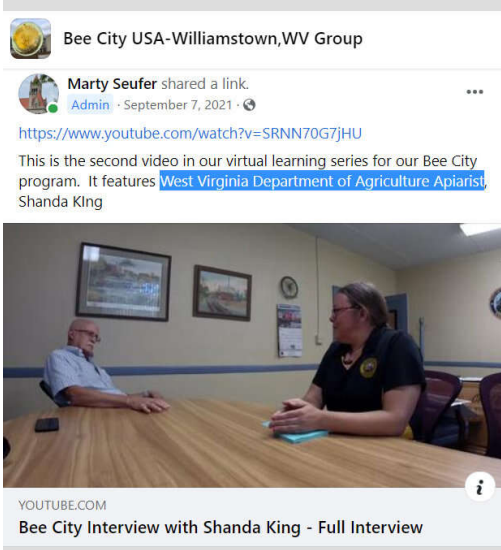


Education & Outreach

Due to all the Covid restrictions, we held interviews online on youtube and linked them through our webpage as well as our Facebook page. The first was an interview with a grad student from Western Colorado University who spent the summer in Williamstown studying bumblebees as part of her thesis for her grad program. The second interview was with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture Apiarist Shanda King who talked about the state of beekeeping in our area



during the Covid crisis. We also continued a program from last year enabling 4th grade students to build pollinator strip gardens along the street in front of their houses.




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Marty Seufer shared a link.
Admin · September 7, 2021 · 🌐

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRNN70G7JHU>

This is the second video in our virtual learning series for our Bee City program. It features [West Virginia Department of Agriculture Apiarist Shanda King](#)



YOUTUBE.COM
Bee City Interview with Shanda King - Full Interview

Interview on beekeeping during Covid crisis with Shanda King, West Virginia State Apiarist



Marty Seufer shared a link.
July 12, 2021 · 🌐

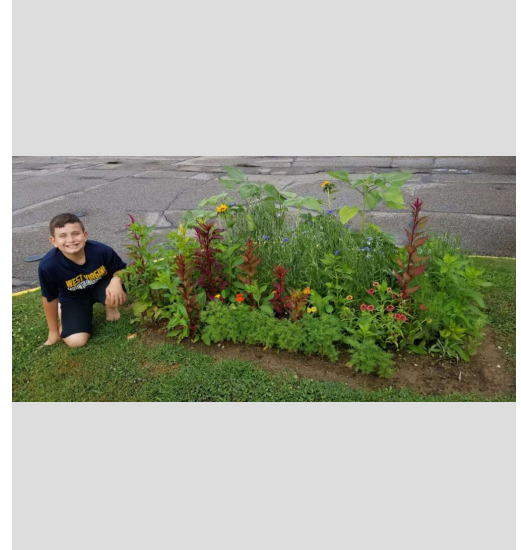
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Our interview with Hunter Benkoski, gra...



YOUTUBE.COM
Bee City Interview - 07/12/2021

Interview with a grad student, Hunter Benkoski, from Western Colorado University who performed bumblebee study in our town



Wade Garst with his tree lawn strip pollinator garden

Policies & Practices

All use of chemicals were banned for usage by the city departments

Integrated Pest Management Plan: [ipmwtown.pdf](#)

<https://williamstownwv.org/assets/craft/bee-city-usa/other/ipmwtown.pdf>

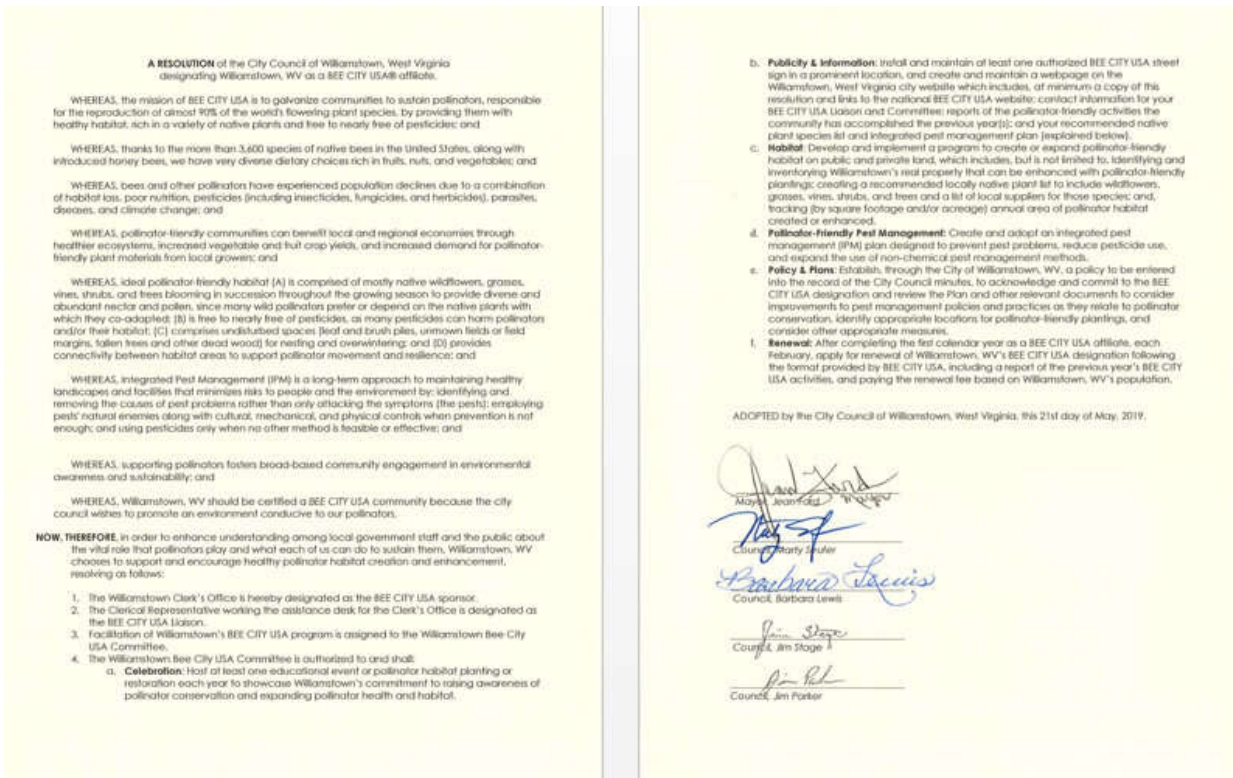
Recommended Native Plant List:

<https://www.gardenia.net/native-plants/west-virginia>

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

<https://sunfarm.com/>





Our original resolution which is what we have operated off of. Now that we have met our IPM requirement, we plan to adopt policies going forward.

Learn More

<https://williamstownwv.org/wv-bee-city-usa>
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1315399062290123>





because of Covid we cannot meet as a group and some members do not use social media, we had to compile this collage of our committee. There are other members but these are the ones we had pics of.

