

Keep Moline Beautiful

Meeting Minutes – 4:30pm, September 11th, 2014.
Held at Moline Municipal Services Building

Attended by: Doug House, Lori Turner, Sue Ratkiewicz, Kathryn Allen, Kristen Bergren, Marcia Lintz, Diane Slover, Susan Wolf.

Sue Ratkiewicz called the meeting to order.

Motion to accept the minutes of the July 10th, 2014 meeting was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- *Recycle Super Hero*: Two nominations for business recycle super heroes were sent in. Susan and Kristen will inquire about names of Moline High School super hero students. Marcia and Lori will inquire at Black Hawk Area Education Center and at Children's Therapy Center.
- *Blue Can Group*: Kristen reported that Lynn Garrison is creating a female superhero for a new K-2nd grade naming and motto contest for the fall.
- *Earth Week Fair*: Kristen reported that a survey was sent out to Earth Week Fair participating organizations, but the results are not in yet.
- *Garden Guardians*: Mary (via email) asked for suggestions of dates for the Garden Guardians annual recognition party. Everyone suggested incorporating the recognition into one of the KMB meetings so that Garden Guardians could participate in the commission meeting. Lori will speak to the president of Western University for suggestions of another student or faculty group to take over Western's paddle wheel plot.
- *Cool Cities*: Kathryn reported that the Cool Cities initiative has moved beyond the scope of our city initiative. She suggested KMB adopt a more local focus on reinvigorating the City's commitment to lower fossil fuel use. Doug said there will be an energy audit of all city buildings which may give KMB some ideas for adopting a new initiative (with a possible name of Green Moline).
- *X-Stream Cleanup*: Kristen reported on a successful site cleanup at 7th St./ Rock River. Kristen reported to X-Stream Cleanup organizers in the spring on how to identify meth lab waste materials, after having learned about this at the Keep America Beautiful conference. As a result, X-Stream Cleanup organizers implemented these suggestions and information this year. There was a suggestion for a new trash pickup site for next year's X-Stream Cleanup at Green Valley Nature Preserve (in addition to the annual invasive species removal site).
- *Adopt-a-Street*: Diane suggested that we host a recognition for Adopt-a-Street participants. Lori suggested using the room adjacent to council chambers and host a 6:00pm event before a Committee of the Whole council meeting.

New Business:

- Diane asked, if people were willing to pay for a larger recycling can, would Midland Davis be willing to accommodate this and could the offer be advertised in a newspaper article. Doug will inquire with Midland-Davis.
- Tracy Koranda asked if KMB could help cleanup the streets after the Moline Homecoming Parade. Lori suggested having students carry "feed me" bags or basketball hoops with garbage bags attached and march in the parade and collect garbage during the event to decrease the mess for city street sweepers.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Next Meeting will be at 4:30pm, Thursday, October 9th, 2014 at the Moline Municipal Services Building.

Submitted by Susan Wolf, Temporary Secretary, Keep Moline Beautiful Commission