

Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee
Minutes of the Meeting June 3, 2010
Haskell House 3:30 p.m.

Members Present: Carolyn Gronemeier, Debbie Rowden, Carolyn Dooley, Matt Asselmeier, Joe Blair, Rhonda Lewis, Sue Weber, Sara McGibany, Tom Weathers, Mike Drake, and Margaret Renken.

Members Absent: Darrell McGibany, Brad Cunningham, Laura Wallendorf, and Sue Hardin.

Also Present: Mayor Tom Hoechst

Chairperson Carolyn Gronemeier called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the May 6, 2010 meeting were presented and approved by motion of Rhonda Lewis, seconded by Mike Drake.

Mayor Hoechst suggested the committee looking to Big Belly trash compactors for various locations in the City, he said that the City would share one half of the cost.

Old Business -

Mini Grants: Ten applications were submitted for mini-grants. One application is for private property, Carolyn Gronemeier will contact the party regarding denial of that grant. The ABCCC will purchase Home Depot gift cards for the recipients and they will be awarded with the stipulation that the grantees must turn in their receipts as well as return any unused gift card balance. Rhonda Lewis will review the plans for the 500 block of Summit and the Riverview Gazebo projects to make sure there will be no issues with Park Department maintenance; the 15th Street project should check with Amern for use of their poles. Sue Weber made a motion to approve the nine mini-grant applications, Carolyn Dooley seconded; the motion passed. Carolyn Gronemeier and Matt Asselmeier will notify the grant recipients.

New Business:

Litter Plan: The committee presented our ideas for litter control to the Mayor. The current *Keep Alton Clean* signs will not be replaced at this time with the *Fine for Littering* signs. Carolyn Dooley provided a vehicle littering report notice for consideration; we will check in to APD approval of the notice and possibly post the notice on the police department website. It was suggested putting an emblem on City vehicles to report littering. Two sub-committees were formed: Debbie Rowden and Mike Drake will work on the Anti-Litter Report; Darrell McGibany and Sara McGibany will work on organizing volunteer groups to adopt needy areas for regular litter pick up. All members will continue to look for ideas.

We will invite David Goins to become a member of the ABCCC.

Announcements:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00. Our next meeting will be July 1, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. at Haskell House.