

**Clean & Beautiful Committee  
January 5, 2011  
Approved Minutes**

**Committee Members Present:**  
Jeff Deelstra Co-Chair  
Pat Deelstra Co-Chair  
Brenda Clark Vice Chair  
Karin Alexander  
Lisa Rene Jones  
Mathew Lovato  
Janusz Wojtanowicz  
Jola Wojtanowicz  
Carolyn Workman

**Excused Committee Members:**  
Tim Chezem

**Absent Committee Members:**  
Brian Blank

**Staff Members Present:**  
Craig Thomas  
Cathie Alberico  
Owen Jackson

The meeting was brought to order by Jeff Deelstra.

Karin Alexander made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2010 meeting. Jola Wojtanowicz seconded the motion. The motion passed all in favor.

**Wreath Project Summary**

Pat thanked the entire committee for all of the work they put in on the wreaths decorated for City Hall and UCCC. Karin Alexander has the award that the UCCC wreath won. It is “best of show” and she will bring it to the next meeting. The wreaths on City Hall were appreciated by all; they showed off better than was expected. We have supplies to make new bows for next year. The committee would like to participate in UCCC Trees of Diversity again next year. John suggested doing a red Christmas tree, with green ornaments. The Committee expressed interest in decorating a tree, instead of a wreath next year. Karin suggested using pictures of our Yard Award winners as ornaments. Lisa added making a small version of the Yard Award sign into an ornament, also.

It was suggested that the Christmas tree and Wreath, be put on the September Agenda for consideration.

## **Subcommittee Updates**

### **Small Yearly Beautification Projects**

Mat expressed interest in chairing this subcommittee. He had concerns as to the size and scope of the projects. The subcommittee should provide a list of projects to take on, for examples areas we could help. The entire committee should also participate in choosing projects. The chairman should take on the role of the leader and delegate tasks so as the responsibility of the subcommittee does not lie totally on his shoulders. He expressed his enjoyment in participating in the 3100 South cleanup project, and taking on an activity in the community.

Brenda Clark moved to nominate Mat Lovato as Chairperson for the Small Yearly Beautification Projects; Lisa Rene Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed all in favor.

Subcommittee members can be recruited from WVC friends, neighbors and relatives.

The City's urban forester, Darin Nerdin, has received a \$5,000.00 grant from the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. The grant is to be used to plant 31 trees along the Sugarplum Trail, at approximately 7200 West and between 2900 South and 3100 South. The Sugarplum Trail will eventually be connected to the Cross Town Trail. Darin will be looking for volunteers. Two planting dates will probably be planned, Arbor Day- the last Friday in April and again in June. Darin is working on "tree diversity" in the City, to help prevent widespread disease.

The committee was in agreement to participate in this project. It would be considered a Beautification Project. Karin inquired if there will be water available for the trees. As far as we know that has been taken care of. Owen will be in touch with Darin to keep track of the project. The committee would like to invite Darin to a future meeting; they also thought he would be a good resource for information for the committee web site.

## **Urban Gardens**

Karin will try to schedule another meeting with Carolyn and Brian. She contacted Wasatch Community Gardens, to see if they could attend a committee meeting. They have had a personnel change. They have a new community educator who is out of the office until January 25, 2011. Karin will try to set up appointment with them.

Craig and Owen presented a map made by Planning and Zoning that showed vacant property owned by the City, City parks, and privately owned vacant land. More research needs to be done to determine if water is available on the different parcels. If the committee identifies a plot that might be suitable for an urban garden, further research should be done. Undeveloped vacant parcels will probably not have water available.

Craig knows of a site on 3100 South and approximately 5800 South, interest has been expressed for a community garden; at this time no one will step forward to take on the responsibility to manage a garden.

Parks and Recreation is also reviewing their properties to see if a community garden would fit with the missions and objectives of the parks as they have been designed. Because of current staffing it may take awhile, but at least it is on their radar, and they are aware of our interest to promote some of the parks as community gardens. The committee discussed other vacant parcels in the City.

The committee requested that hard copies and or a .pdf of the map that Craig and Owen presented, be sent out to its members.

Karin will send us a file of the handout she has prepared to distribute to members and to use on the web site.

## **Education Subcommittee**

They met briefly and reviewed the web site. It is still under construction and has not launched yet. Owen demonstrated what is available on the site and how it will work.

The address for the web site will be: [www.wvc-ut.gov/c&b](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/c&b)

They are very close to launching the site. The main page shows the committee logo and mission statement (from the bylaws.) The

subcommittee is still looking for information and content. Be sure to contact the subcommittee if you have any suggestions, or email your ideas to Craig, Owen or Cathie. It currently contains our bylaws and the strategic plan that was established in September, Clean and Beautiful awards, Nominate a Yard, we will be able to post photos of award winning yards, Yard Clippings, Archive, Meeting agenda's and minutes, and Community Resources- links to other community resources will be added. We will research the possibilities of links to retail outlets and their "how to information."

A "Notify Me list" option will be added. The Notify Me list is already available on the City web site. The Notify Me list is an email list that you can sign up for to receive information on different City projects such as: City construction or road improvement projects, the City Council Agenda, Maverik Center promotions, Neighborhood Watch, to name a few topics.

The committee was asked if they would like to launch the web site now or wait to enhance the site with more information. It was the consensus of the committee to add more valuable information before launching the site.

The subcommittees were reminded to schedule meetings in the next month if needed.

We are still looking for members to join the Committee.

The meeting concluded shortly after six pm.