

**CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2016
PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM
155 WEST 14TH STREET
YUMA, AZ 85364**

Chairperson David Psolka called the meeting to order at 3:59 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Chairperson David Psolka**
 JoAnne Mowczko
 Linda Collins
 Kim Hamersley
 Donald Strickland
 Sharon Craig

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Alyssa Becker**

STAFF PRESENT: **Joel Olea, Public Works Director**
 Martin Agundez, Public Works Manager
 Lalena Ohn, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: **Doug Nicholls, Mayor**
 Theresa Francesco

Mayor Nicholls thanks the Commission for their service and commends them for keeping committee members notified of term expiration dates. **Mayor Nicholls** stated that he would like to see all Boards and Committees be independent, as the Clean and Beautiful Commission has been.

Linda Collins speaks in regards to concerns with Commissioners being appointed and not fully being committed; discussion is held.

Introduction of New Commissioner: **JoAnne Mowczko** was introduced.

Chairperson Psolka advised Commissioners that he spoke with **Alyssa Becker** regarding her attendance, and she is out of town on a family emergency. He stated there was a verbal understanding that she would be replaced as it is unknown as to when she will return. **Joel Olea** stated that staff will prepare a letter requesting removal of **Alyssa Becker** from the Board. Discussion is held regarding future Commissioner's being invited to attend a meeting prior to being appointed. **Joel Olea** will make the recommendation to Administration.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Kim Hamersley pointed out that at the previous meeting she was nominated Vice Chair; however, the list of Commissioners does not indicate that. The record is to reflect that **Kim Hamersley** was appointed Vice Chair.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Donald Strickland to approve the January 26, 2016 Minutes, motion was seconded by JoAnne Mowczko.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Call to the Public: None

Mini Beautification Project: Martin Agundez reported that the recycle metal was delivered to San Luis High School on February 9th and they will begin working on three metal sculptures. He mentioned that the right of way area for the project has been reviewed and electricity will be utilized from traffic signals. He also stated that in addition to the metal sculptures a placement of a sign is being reviewed.

Beautification Award Nominations: Chairperson Psolka advised Commissioners that the award for 516 Madison has not been presented and notes have been left for the resident. Chairperson Psolka reported that he spoke to staff about improving the road at 500 Madison and also reported significant potholes on 16th Place, behind Wells Fargo. Chairperson Psolka stated that he has not made contact with the resident at 2012 5th Avenue or either U-Haul companies. Kim Hamersley requested a list of addresses that have been previously recognized. Discussion is held as to what the Commission is able to post on the City website.

The recognition letter process was explained to new Commissioner, JoAnne Mowczko.

OLD BUSINESS

Five-Year Plan: None

Reports: Chairperson Psolka mentioned that Joel Olea presented the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program to Administration. Joel Olea stated that Greg Wilkinson also mentioned the program at a City Council meeting. Joel Olea stated that a member of DCD took information about the program to share with her church group.

Status of Current Events

Staff Updates: Martin Agundez reported that Neighborhood Cleanup has completed four areas at this time, and 167 tons of bulk trash, 65 tons of green waste, 6 tons of metal and 594 tires has been collected.

Martin Agundez reported that the Clean and Beautiful Commission, Yuma County Adult Probation and Yuma County Juvenile Justice Center completed Adopt-a-Street cleanups in February.

Joel Olea advised Commissioners that Public Works was approached by Heather Stout who is working with a large youth group, approximately 250 kids, who are looking for projects to do. The group was given several project alternatives and elected to clean up alleys in April. Parks and Recreation will also be giving the group a painting project.

Joel Olea reported that 5 LED lights were installed on 12th Street, west of Pacific Avenue, as part of a demo.

Joel Olea mentioned that tomorrow morning Public Works will be giving a 30 minute presentation and tour to Yuma Sunrise Rotary group regarding the possibility of building a new fleet facility.

2016 Calendar of Events: None

Commissioner Reports: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Pothole Month: **Joel Olea** stated that pothole reports are received year around and are put on the schedule for repair as received; discussion is held. **Joel Olea** is willing to give the group a presentation regarding deterioration of roadways in Yuma.

Christmas City Banners: Discussion is held in regards to deterioration of previously purchased banners and an estimated cost to replace banners; discussion is held. **Joel Olea** reports that there is no City funding to purchase new banners. **Joel Olea** stated that he would facilitate a presentation from legal regarding a banner program and the Commissioners are in agreement.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Donald Strickland, and motion was seconded by Linda Collins, to adjourn the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



David Psolka, Chairperson

3-22-2016

Date