

**CITY OF OREM**  
**BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION Minutes**  
**April 28, 2014**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Aaron Orullian	Chair
Carol Manwaring	Vice Chair
Rhonda Wilkinson	
Marlon & Ann Snow	
Jim & Barbara Campbell	
Judy Cox	
Sean Orullian	
Scott Sampson	
Gayla Muir	
Brent Sumner	City Council Representative
Steve Weber	Staff Support
Debbie Lindsay	Clerical

**EXCUSED** – Jim & Barbara Campbell, Steve Weber

**ABSENT** –Scott Sampson, Brent Sumner

**LATE** - Judy Cox

**I.** Approval of minutes –Carol Manwaring made a motion to approve the minutes. Gayla Muir seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

**II.** Update on Flower Pot project - The flower pot project has been shelved for the time being. The commission is focusing on the hanging flower baskets to be hung around the City Center.

There has been no contact from the scout. The scout was going to go over, look at the area, write a proposal and submit it to the Scout office. Judy will follow through with the scout and get a timeline from him. Sean said that if it the scout project falls through, he would be willing along with other Commission members to come over on a Saturday and take care of it. Everyone was agreeable to this option. Carol asked Judy to let the scout know that the Commission would like to see his plan by May 7<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise the Commission will follow through with Sean's backup plan.

**III.** Panhandling concerns and proposed action – Aaron is still concerned about the panhandling issue facing Orem It was suggested to contact to Administrative Services office and talk to Jason about it and possibly take it to the City Attorney. Brent Sumner, our City Council rep was going to look in to this issue. Provo's panhandling ordinance states that it is illegal to hand anything out a car window. If they wish to give money to the panhandler, they must park and exit their vehicle to hand them a donation.

Commission members want to know why Orem can't implement a plan similar to what Provo has done. They would like to see a blurb put in the City newsletter that goes out with the utility bill about not giving money to panhandlers but in donating to agencies that help the homeless. It was also suggested that something should be put on the City website. Members liked what Provo City has done with the signs and would like to see Orem do the same. Members

would like to see a “media blitz” regarding the panhandling issue – info on the website, in the newspaper, the newsletter, other media – to get the word out to the public. It was mentioned that Provo and Orem meet twice a year together in a City Council and wondered if Provo could present to our City Council what they did to alleviate the panhandling situation in Provo. Carol will contact Margaret Black and ask what the Council is discussing regarding panhandling. It was suggested that we have someone from Provo come to one of our Commission meetings and share their solutions. Carol will ask Margaret Black about it and then invite them to the next Beautification meeting.

**IV.** City Center flowerbed update – See section II.

**V.** Summerfest Parade - Aaron has entered the Commission in the parade. They will be using Aaron’s car and Judy’s truck. If it rains, we will not participate. Carol will double the amount of candy to hand out. Aaron will be also recruiting some other hot rods as well. Carol would like more help in handing out candy. Carol, Rhonda, Sean and Gayla will be handing out the candy. Everyone will be wearing the “green” shirts.

**VI.** Banners – Banners were put up. Some were torn by the wind. There was an issue with the length of the banners. Carabineers where linked together to attach the banners at the bottom. When the windstorms came, the carabineers stretched and allowed the banners to blow freely. Aaron will email Mike Maughan at UVU to see about getting the banners vented.

**VII.** Other Business Neighborhood assignments were given out. Marlon Snow and Gayla Muir traded areas. It was asked when the Yard awards program starts. It runs from June through September. Some members wanted to know about giving out awards in May. Carol made a motion to give out Yard awards beginning in May. Rhonda seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Pictures are to be sent to Aaron and he will make sure they get posted on the Beautification bulletin board at the City Center. Aaron mentioned that when he gives an award to businesses, he has a certificate that he had his daughter create and gives that to the businesses. This could be used in place of a letter from the mayor. He has it on disc and simply changes the date each year. Members had mixed feelings about this. It was suggested that the sign was enough. Another member felt we should continue with the letters from the Mayor.

Carol asked for cell phone numbers so that she can text Commission members reminders about meetings, etc...

The commission was reminded that Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> is Arbor Day. No one from the commission will be able to attend.

**VIII.** Adjournment – Aaron made a motion to adjourn. Carol Manwaring seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday May 19, 2014 at 4:30 pm to be held at the Public Works Complex.