

**CITY OF KINGMAN
 THE CLEAN CITY COMMISSION
 City Council Chambers
 310 N. 4th Street
 Kingman, Arizona**

5:00 p.m.

Regular Minutes

Thursday, July 16, 2015

Members:	Officers:	Visitors Signing In:
R. Bowman, Chairman	S. Yocum, Council Liaison	See Attached List
M. Hicks	J. Dougherty, City Manager	
J. Longoria	S. Shaffer, Planner	
W. Ressegue	S. Sixkiller-Wing, Recording Secretary	
C. Russell, Vice-Chair	E. Tapia, Sanitation Superintendent	

CCC PURPOSE STATEMENT

The Clean City Commission was created for the purpose of assisting the common council in establishing a city-wide policy for decreasing the amount of loose refuse in the city.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Chairman Bowman called the meeting to order at 5:00:18 P.M. five members were present and two were excused. A quorum of members was achieved.

WELCOME TO NEW COMMISSIONERS: JOSEPH LONGORIA AND WILLIAM RESSEGUE.

The commission members welcomed Mr. Longoria and Mr. Ressegue to the CCC, who were appointed by the City Council at the recommendation of the commission.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2015. Commissioner Hicks made a MOTION nominating Clarence Russell as Vice-Chair for the remainder of 2015. Chairman Bowman seconded the MOTION and it carried UNANIMOUSLY by a vote of 5-0.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The Clean City Commission reviewed the June 18, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Vice-Chairman Russell made a motion to APPROVE the June 18, 2015 meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Longoria SECONDED and the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with a vote of 5-0.

2. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

a. **Certificates of Appreciation.**

Chairman Bowman and the Clean City Commission presented awards to Dave Wolf and Ron Giesbrecht recognizing their service on the Clean City Commission. Photographs of the presentation were taken. Mr. Giesbrecht thanked the Clean City Commission (CCC) for letting him serve on the commission. He indicated he was honored to serve and support the endeavors of the commission and encouraged the new members to keep up the good work in the community.

b. Community Challenge Awards.

The Clean City Commission (CCC) presented the First Lego League and the Kingman First Robotics Team with \$100 gift cards for completion of their “Trash Trek” project during the Summer Lego Camp in June with a photo opportunity with the CCC. Chairman Bowman and the CCC thanked the teams for helping to keep Kingman clean and beautiful.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Review of Bag Donation Requests and Discussion of Methods to Reduce Plastic Bag Litter.

The Clean City Commission (CCC) discussed the reusable bags and magnets they purchased for the reusable bag distribution in the community. The CCC has requested matching donations from the grocery stores in the area. The commission continues to encourage the community to use the reusable bags and discourage the use of plastic bags.

The CCC discussed the responses from the grocery stores and indicated that the Bashas’ was the only one to respond to their request to date. The commission discussed the posters that Ms. Shaffer created to educate the community. Commissioner Longoria asked about the possibility of advertising the bag distribution in the newspaper before the event. Chairman Bowman said that the bag distribution goes quickly even without advertising. The CCC agreed to meet at Bashas at 10am on Friday, July 31, 2015 to distribute the bags donated by Bashas’ as well as some of the bags the CCC purchased. Ms. Shaffer will make sure that two posters are printed for the event.

Chairman Bowman asked Ms. Shaffer to make sure that the new Clean City Commission members receive shirts so that they may be identified at this promotion and other future CCC events. The CCC members discussed following up with the other store managers about matching donations to continue the reusable bag promotion.

b. Airway Avenue Clean-up Schedule.

Ms. Shaffer updated the Clean City Commission on the cleanup schedule of Chief DeVries and his clean up team. The commission discussed that the group has scheduled clean-ups which will include the Airway area twice a month through at least September.

The CCC discussed the cleanup schedule, and the previous requests sent to Smith’s and Wal-Mart to participate in clean-ups along Airway. Commission members agreed to keep this item on the agenda for further updates and to await the commitment of the stores to help keep the Airway area free of litter.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Kingman Day of Caring Clean-up.

Chairman Bowman advised the Clean City Commission members that the Kingman Day of Caring is scheduled to begin at 6 a.m. on September 12, 2015. He indicated he has been working with Laura Hanson of United Way to promote this annual event. He advised the CCC members that the event is a great team building event for organizations and volunteers to come together to help clean up the community and increase awareness with this community service project. Chairman Bowman also reminded members of the CCC that during the 2014 event they had over 400 volunteers who came together to clean up the main areas of the city. He also thanked Sanitation Supervisor Ed Tapia for the assistance of his team in picking up all the trash on the same day of event.

The Clean City Commission discussed what area the team would focus on cleaning up on the Kingman Day of Caring. The CCC agreed they would focus on their Adopt-a-Highway section on E. Andy Devine from Bashas' to the Arizona Motor Vehicle Division office allowing other volunteers to focus on other areas in the community.

Commissioner Hicks asked if city Adopt-a-Block volunteers would be contacted about the Kingman Day of Caring. Chairman Bowman indicated that at the 2014 event they had almost 100% participation from the Adopt-a-Block groups and letters would be going out notifying them of the community service project.

Chairman Bowman advised the CCC that United Way did not have the funds to print posters to publicize the Kingman Day of Caring and asked if the Clean City Commission would agree to purchase the posters for the event. He indicated he had investigated the prices for posters at the local Staples and found that 18" x 24" posters would cost \$900.00 and that would be too pricey. He recommended they allow for \$100.00 for the poster printing.

Laura Hanson arrived to the meeting and Chairman Bowman updated her as to what had been discussed thus far by the CCC. Ms. Hanson advised the CCC they would be using emails to distribute the poster but would need to print posters to post at the library and churches and other public venues to recruit volunteers. The registration form will include waivers for volunteers. She has already been receiving calls about the Day of Caring. She hopes they get more volunteers this year.

The CCC discussed how many cases of bags they would need and how many cases of bags were used at the last event. Mrs. Hanson also advised the CCC that the railroad would also have a team to clean up both sides of the railroad tracks through the City of Kingman. Ms. Hanson said that the 2015 clean-up participants would also be treated to a breakfast at the Mohave State Bank after their assigned areas were done. She indicated volunteers cooked breakfast for participants last year's event and were doing it again. She also said that the United Way volunteers will be delivering water and additional bags to the teams working in the community so they didn't have to carry it all with them.

Vice- Chairman Russell advised the Clean City Commission that the railroad has approved the train barriers on the Andy Devine to be painted. He informed the CCC that the Sand Box group would be holding an art contest and awarding the winner of the contest the right to paint art on the Andy Devine side of the barriers. He indicated the group had the paint for the barriers would have them painted by the time of the Best of the West event.

Mrs. Hanson indicated United Way will be distributing the printed posters along with the electronic contacts to get the word out about the event. The Clean City Commission discussed purchasing the posters for the event. Vice-Chairman Russell made a motion to APPROVE \$100.00 in funding for the printed posters. Commissioner Ressegue SECONDED and the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with a vote of 5-0.

b. Review and Possible Approval of Activities and Programs for FY 2015-2016.

Ms. Shaffer reviewed the 2015-2016 Clean City Commission tentative event calendar with the commission. The Clean City Commission agreed to do the Adopt-A-Highway section on September 12, 2015 for the Annual Day of Caring.

Ms. Shaffer asked the CCC if they would like to support the 2015 Rock N Roll Paint-A-Thon. Mr. Tapia confirmed the teams were hoping to paint four homes in the community this year and confirmed the Rock N Roll prep date and paint day dates with a starting time of 8am. The Clean City Commission (CCC) confirmed participation and support of the event. Ms. Shaffer advised the CCC they would be discussing this item further at the August meeting.

Ms. Shaffer reviewed the Community Clean-up dates scheduled for Saturday November 7, 2015, Saturday, March 12, 2016, and Saturday May 7, 2016. She advised the CCC these were the only dates available when the clean-ups worked in conjunction of other events. Ms. Shaffer also said that with recent events at the prison, it may be difficult to get prisoners to participate in the clean-ups. She advised the CCC that Staff Liaison Rich Ruggles had already contacted Roger Stewart of Mohave County Adult Probation Program. Mr. Stewart had expressed a willingness to assist with the future clean-ups.

Chairman Bowman summarized the community clean-ups that the CCC scheduled each year. He informed the new members that the service is free to all citizens. He also indicated the commission had collected fifteen forty-yard containers full of trash from one event. He also stated they had over 200 cars in line to participate at one of the events. He advised the new members that in the past the CCC has not had enough volunteer laborers to unload participant vehicles. He thanked the Sanitation Department for providing assistance to the CCC with this event and stated that they had saved the CCC on more than one occasion when they did not have enough volunteers to keep up with the participants. Chairman Bowman advised the CCC with the commitment from Mr. Stewart the CCC will be able to move forward with the scheduled clean-ups. He also said that each member of the Clean City Commission needed to volunteer for these events. Members are needed to help with the participants and directing them through the clean-up. The CCC members agreed to the scheduled dates.

Mrs. Shaffer asked the CCC if they still wanted to continue to support the America Recycles Poster Contest working with Nina Brackett. Chairman Bowman advised the new members of the participation from the children in the community indicating they had over 300 hundred participants last year. He stated he was amazed at all of the entries and believes it is important to educate our future citizens of the community. The CCC agreed to continue this program in the community and requested that Ms. Brackett bring the program information to the next meeting for further discussion.

Ms. Shaffer asked the CCC if they wanted to continue the Chuck Gibson Community Challenge. Chairman Bowman advised the new members of the commission that Chuck Gibson was a long standing member who had passed away while serving on the Clean City Commission a few years ago. Chairman Bowman indicated Mr. Gibson was instrumental to making the commission what it is today. The Clean City Commission agreed to continue the Chuck Gibson Community Challenge.

Ms. Shaffer asked if the CCC if they would like to hold the Arbor Day tree planting on April 23, 2016. He indicated the weather was bad last year but cleared up just in time to plant 8 or 9 trees last year's event. He indicated they should continue the Arbor Day event with the Cerbat Garden Club and would tentatively set the date for April 23rd.

Ms. Shaffer advised the CCC they had already decided the September 12, 2015 Adopt-a- Highway Clean-up. The commission discussed what Saturday would work for the spring Adopt-a-Highway clean-up. The CCC discussed available dates and agreed on Saturday April 9, 2016 clean-up.

c. CARE Sandbox Meeting Report.

Vice-Chairman Russell advised the Clean City Commission (CCC) that there is a lot going on at the Sand Box meetings. He said that Dora Manley gave a report at the meeting on the Best of the West Festival. He stated they had received the funding for the festival and she had indicated that everything is on schedule.

Vice-Chairman Russell advised the CCC that the Beautification Committee has completed the landscape project at Atlantic and Stockton Hill Road. There is a window that still needs to be fixed. He was informed it would be fixed soon. He also indicated the committee has received several compliments on the project improvements. He said that since the last festival the momentum has slowed down but it has not stopped. While driving through the City you can see changes happening around in the community.

Vice-Chairman Russell said that Jim Hinckley gave report at the Sand Box meeting about the Electric Car Festival on Route 66. Mr. Hinckley also informed the members he has a website to keep people informed of events happening in the community. Vice-Chairman Russell said the International Mountain Biking has completed some trails in the area and has scheduled a big event in October coinciding with Chillin' on Beale Street event and the grape stomping at the Stetson Winery.

Vice-Chairman Russell advised the CCC that the Sandbox Committee has received the approval to replicate the Mineral Miner's Monument that was previously removed from the middle of Fourth Street. He said it was originally installed in 1904 in the middle of 4th Street and removed in the 1940's. He indicated that the committee is currently working on a new one and it will be placed at the west end of the railroad station. He said it would take approximately a year to complete and install at the station.

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC - COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ron Giesbrecht advised the CCC that the City of Kingman has qualified as a quarter finalist for the America's Best Community. This program also promotes cleaning up of Kingman. The team is currently are working on qualifying for semifinalist.

City Manager John Dougherty advised the Clean City Commission that the City of Kingman has received a grant for \$50,000.00 with a requirement responsibility to raise \$15,000.00 more for a total budget of \$65,000.00. They teams is approximately \$1,300.00 away from the \$15,000.00 goal and still has a couple weeks to raise it. He advised the CCC they are currently working on a plan for review and approval of the City of Kingman Mayor and Council. Mr. Dougherty advised the CCC the plan is to put neon welcome arch with a banner welcoming visitors to the City of Kingman across Beale Street between Metcalfe and Veterans Memorial Park. He indicated that Nucor Steele has volunteered to design the arch and will assist with installation of the arch. The team hopes the new arch encourages visitors to come to the entertainment district/downtown area to continue to revive the downtown area. The group is in hopes to win the next round which is \$100,000.00 dollars for phase two of the plan of improvements.

Mr. Geisbrecht invited everyone to the next Chillin' on Beale Street scheduled for Saturday, July 18, 2015. He is hoping the weather is good for the event. Commissioner Hicks added that the group uses the venue to collect money for the Halloween Bash for the kids in the community,

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COMMISSION MEMBERS** Limited to announcements, availability/attendance at conferences and seminars, requests for agenda items for future meetings.

Commissioner Russell reminded everyone about the concert in the park scheduled this weekend.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice-Chairman Russell made a MOTION to ADJOURN the meeting. Commissioner Longoria SECONDED the MOTION and it CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with a vote of 5-0. Meeting Adjourned at 5:59:27 P.M.

APPROVED:

Ralph Bowman
Clean City Commission Chairperson

STATE OF ARIZONA)
COUNTY OF MOHAVE) ss:
CITY OF KINGMAN)

CERTIFICATE OF CLEAN CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

I, Sherie Sixkiller, Recording Secretary of the City of Kingman, Arizona, hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Clean City Commission held on July 16, 2015.

Dated this 20th day of August 2015

Sherie Sixkiller-Wing, Recording Secretary