

## Recycling Committee Minutes

### 1. Members attending:

Carrie Carroll, Hallmark  
Lee Waer, Turnbull Law Office, P.C.  
Jennifer “Jenny” Tergin, Motorsports  
Kristen Hilty, First Church United Methodist  
David Grellner, Environmental Specialist, Jefferson City Government  
Rob Didriksen, Volunteer

### Members absent:

Reginald H. “Reg” Turnbull, Turnbull Law Office, P.C.  
Dave Nowack, Natural Connections

### 2. Date and Location of Meeting:

May 9, 2007, 9 AM at Turnbull Law Office, P.C., 200 E. High St., Jefferson City,  
MO 65101

### 3. Minutes from meeting of April 11, 2007:

Carrie reviewed the minutes and asked for motion to approve. Jenny moved to approve the minutes, and Lee seconded. Minutes were approved.

### 4. Old Business:

#### a. Recycling Rechargeable Batteries:

Kristen said that Best Buy accepts rechargeable batteries and inkjet cartridges. Rob mentioned that Lowes also has a container for rechargeable batteries.

#### b. Phone Books.

Jenny said that the receptacle cover is about 70% complete. She showed a picture of a decal which will be 30 inches by 40 inches in size. Jenny reported that the decal cost \$92 and that it came from Signs By Tomorrow. Jenny also said that any future decals should be less expensive. She estimated the total cost for the container will be \$125.

Rob asked who will install the decal. Jenny said that she will affix it. She would like to get the container in operation before the new telephone books are distributed next month.

Rob mentioned Greg Gaffke of Embarq as a contact person to get further information about the phone books. Jenny said that she would call him.

c. Full Containers

Carrie and Jenny said that the container on parking lot by the News Tribune has been okay this month.

David said that the containers for City have arrived. Decals are being placed on them at this time. He said that a container will be placed at Memorial Park and at the Fire Station on Ellis Boulevard. He said that a container for plastics and a container for paper products will be placed on the parking lot east of the City Hall.

Rob asked David how many containers does the City have. David said nine containers in use and two for rotation.

d. Newspaper Articles

Carrie shared Kris' recent article with the committee.

Carrie said that she will send a letter to the editor regarding turning in plastic bags. Kristen mentioned that Hy-Vee now has a container to deposit plastic bags.

Rob mentioned that Gerbes and Hy-Vee give a nickel for every bag that a customer reuses. Carrie asked Rob if he could write a letter to the editor about this. Rob said that he would compose a couple paragraphs and email them to Carrie.

e. Upcoming Events

Jenny said that there is a great deal of work to coordinate the collection efforts at the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. Rob mentioned a list of volunteers and discussed the efforts from last year's event. He said that individual containers were located in strategic places and the 20 yard container for dumping aluminum and plastic from the individual containers was placed in a more centralized location. Rob said that they collected 90 pounds of plastic and 90 pounds of aluminum.

Rob also noted that the lighting was very poor where the 20 yard container was placed. Jenny asked if it could be placed elsewhere. David said that Jenny would need to contact the event coordinator.

Kristen offered to help during the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup>. Rob said that he would round up from 20 to 25 containers for the event.

Members discussed the need for volunteers at the event and the need to coordinate the recycling efforts.

Carrie mentioned the need to coordinate with Parks and Recreation for placement of containers. Rob mentioned the assistance provided at last year's event by employees of Coke Cola, and Park and Recreation. David said that he would contact Bill Lockwood. Rob mentioned J. J. Gates as a contact person at Parks and Recreation.

Carrie suggested putting a note in the News Tribune for volunteers needed. David said that Jill Snodgrass may have clean up group. Jenny said that she will contact Jill.

Kristen said that getting volunteers from a church youth group would be an option. She said that she would look into this.

Carrie said that maybe the Downtown Jefferson City could purchase food such as pizzas for the volunteers. Rob mentioned purchasing t-shirts that have recycling logos on them or are made from recycled materials, and then giving them to the volunteers.

f. Curbside Pickup

Kristen said that a meeting is set for June 22, 2007. A representative from Allied Waste will be at the meeting. Invitations are being sent to interested parties according to David and Rob. The Downtown Association would be invited. Rob said that the invitations should go beyond the city limits.

Carrie mentioned the long-term goal of collecting plastic containers in the downtown area. Carrie asked if any members had information about other cities' efforts. David said that the City of Jefferson had surveyed other cities, and it is complicated.

Rob noted that any successful curbside effort involves many issues. He noted the need to not create problems with private industries. He gave the efforts in Moberly, Missouri, where offenders within the Department of Corrections sort the trash. David said that Jefferson City could be an idea site for curbside recycling.

g. Plastic Water Bottles

Rob noted that the container at the state Capitol is only for aluminum cans.

h. Earth Day Celebration

Carrie said that MRS donated pens, but no entries were received. She said that maybe next year the mini-page from the News Tribune could be expanded. Rob suggested that contestants be allowed to email their answers rather than dropping them off. The goal would be to increase participation.

i. Kid's Fest

Carrie asked if the City will be bringing in extra containers. Rob said that he has temporary containers which he could provide. Carrie will ask Exchange Bank if they need them and if they will be placing containers.

5. New Business:

Member Attendance

Carrie asked members whether the meeting day and time needs to be changed to accommodate more members. No change was made to the meeting date and time.

Jenny thanked Rob for attending. Rob mentioned that he would not be able to attend all meetings.

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for Wednesday June 13, 2007, at 9 AM at Turnbull Law Office, P.C., 200 East High St. Jefferson City, MO 65101.

FYI: CC City Administrator's Office for delivery to Mayor John Landwehr; Councilman Rich Koon, Councilman Jim Penfold, Charles Lansford, Kris Hilgedick, Colleen Taylor, Rick Graham, Corey Toebben, Steve Picker, and Mike Kauflin.