

**MINUTES OF THE HEARTLAND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
October 2, 2014**

**Present:** Chairperson/Councilor Will Brown, Councilor Karen Sernecky, Grace Fix, Suanne Hennessey, Graham Scott, Lee Penner, Jacqui Newton

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Will Brown called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm

1. **Additions/Agenda Approval**

Moved by Karen Sernecky that the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

2. **Confirmation of September 4, 2014 HBC Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Chairperson Will Brown that the Minutes from the September 4, 2014 Heartland Beautification Committee Meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

3. **Business Arising**

None

4. **Statement of Revenues & Expenses**

Received for informational purposes as quorum was not met at the time.

## 5. 2014 Projects

### a) Recipient of Home Hardware Gift Certificate:

The HBC committee was the recipient of a \$100 Gift Certificate. Communities in Bloom would like a picture with the local Home Hardware representative presenting the gift card. Grace agreed to get the picture.

It was mutually agreed that the gift card should be spent on Community Gardens since they would have the most use for it.

### b) Hospital Foundation request:

Hospital Foundation has requested from HBC to volunteer to do some outdoor landscaping on the left side of the main hospital entrance since their budget does not allow for landscaping. The committee felt that they should not volunteer as a committee although individuals of the committee may volunteer as the committee does not want to be the driving force for the private sector.

### c) Seed/Fruit and Vegetable Exchange report:

Grace reported that there were about 12 people that attended. There were no left overs and they felt the location was good. They didn't feel that the rummage sale had an impact but thought maybe next year they could do it in the parking lot of the agriplex

### d) Memorial Park Update

Used Capital money to higher Ray Unruh to remove all the shale and plastic from memorial park. Only took 2 days. Excess shrubbery was removed and you can see all around the park from the road. Waiting for a lift to do the big trees and will be having a meeting with the school regarding the smoking in the park. They will be experimenting with white noise.

### e) Downtown Park:

Outline is in and there have been lots of positive comments. There were a few parking concerns. They will just be putting fill in for the rest of the year. Atco would like to take a building for their own but still under discussion. They will pursue through the winter and start by spring.

f) Environmental Action:

(Report attached to agenda)

Grace was wondering if the new playground at West Stettler Park could include exercise equipment for adults. Lee advised that the plan was to include equipment that would be useable for fitness by adults.

Environmental action group also requested a list of trees and shrubs that thrive in our area and Lee advised that one has already been made and we will post on the Town of Stettler website.

Garbage issues at the playground were brought up. Lee said that it will take a while to deal with some of those issues. Until then, the town crew will be cleaning there daily and more patrolling from the RCMP will help.

g) Budget for 2015

Letter from Committee to town council is needed for 2015 budget. Grace suggested that we move some money around to different areas but not increase the total operating budget. \$1000 more will be put into Environmental Action from Banners and Signage as well as Communities in bloom. Community Gardens will stay the same.

A motion was made by Grace to use the rest of the money from streetscape in the amount of \$3000 for electrical engineers at the downtown park. Graham seconded

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

6. Next Meeting- November 6, 2014

7. Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 1:02pm