

City of Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday, May 12, 2021

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tenbrink at 3:09 PM.
2. Roll Call: present Dehn, Markley, Moss, Broyles, and Tenbrink, Also, in attendance Tristin Terhune Bel Aire City HR and Communication Director
3. Approval of Agenda: Moss moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Markley, agenda approved.
4. Approval of April 14, 2021 Meeting minutes moved by Moss and seconded by Markley, minutes were approved.
5. New Business:
 - A. Feedback on May 1 document shedding and e-recycling: Tristin Terhune said the document shedding and e-recycle went well. This year we used a local Bel Aire business. There were 187 Bel Aire residents that participated in shedding and e-recycling event. 8340 pounds of paper were shredded, and 50 electronic items recycled. The total amount was down some from last year, but it was a great success in keeping over 4 tons of paper out of the land fill.
 - B. Status of UAC bylaws changes: Jacki Kelly, City Attorney, was unable to attend the meeting so no action was discussed.
 - C. June "Did You Know": DYK on recycling was discussed, after a few minor wording changes Broyles made a motion to except the changes and Dehn second the motion, DYK was approved to be forward to the City Staff.
 - D. Sedgwick County 2021 sold waste plan: Tenbrink handed out a summary of a 13-page report that he had received from Mayor Benage. The committee reviewed the summary and discussed it. Markley volunteered to research the recycling guidelines on the Sedgwick County web site and report back next month.
 - C. "Paper's Place in the Post-Pandemic World": Tenbrink handed out a sheet on what consumers do not know about the substantiality of paper products. The committee had a brief discuss on the paper products after they reviewed it.
6. Round table discussion:
 - A. Dehn reported he had approval from his HOA to install warm season grass in his new home's yard. Also, he had his second covid-19 shot and was experiencing some side effect and gone to the ER. He was having irregular heartbeat and blood pressure fluctuation.
 - B. Markley reported her family had attended the first Wind Surge baseball game the night before, the new stadium was a nice place.
 - C. Moss no report.
 - D. Broyles no report.

E. Tenbrink toss out an idea getting young people to research ideas for the “Did You Know”. After a discussion of the possibilities, Markley said she would ask her cousin who was involved in the Girl Scouts if there was any interest. Also, he had received his second Covid-19 shot with no side effects. And he reported on an article from the Wichita Eagle on the Ogallala Aquifer, the largest aquifer in North America that covers 8 states. Roughly 1/3 of the under-ground water in Kansas has disappeared and in southwest Kansas 1/2 of the water has disappeared mainly due to farming irrigation and drought. He mentions Bel Aire was having a sewer lift station usage study done.

7. Next UAC meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, 2021 @ 3:00 pm at Bel Aire City Hall.
8. Old, Continuing, and Future Business:
 - A. Next field trip
 - B. Legionnaire’s disease presentation
 - C. Composting campaign
9. Moss move to adjourn the meeting and was second by Markley. Meeting was adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Dan Broyles
UAC Secretary