

Seymour Pride Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday November 8, 2010

7:00 p.m. Flaherty Room, Town Hall

Members Present - Kim Osgood, Jovanni Ortiz

Guests – Allison Cunningham, Melissa Smith, Karen (Allison's sister), Deb Ice – Seymour Animal Control Officer

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by Kim

Guests – Kim introduced the members present to the guests and gave a brief history of the Seymour Pride Committee and described some past projects and the possible future ones. Deb Ice introduced herself and talked about the Seymour animal shelter and what they are in need of.

October Projects – Kim and Joe discussed the Haunted Trails at the Seymour Land Trust and how successful it was. Jovanni and Kim discussed the down-town trick or treat and how it was a very large turnout and we had handed out almost 300 fliers with the candy. Hopefully we will get some response. Melissa Smith also reported that they had distributed 300 fliers at the Lions Club Car Show.

Reports on upcoming projects – Kim presented information she had received from Missy Orosz about hosting/sponsoring a blood drive. The group went over the information and based on what is needed to host decided that looking into sponsoring an existing blood drive would be the better way to go. Kim will ask Missy to look into that and report at the next meeting.

Kim has called the Spooner House and Seymour/Oxford Food Bank to ask what they might need in terms of volunteers. At this point she has not heard anything, when she does she will contact the group or report at the next meeting.

On November 13th, the Pride Committee will be helping the Historical Society clean-up their leaves and grounds starting at 8:00 a.m. in conjunction with Ted's Landscaping. Kurt Miller will be going on the 12th to start blowing leaves if anyone is available to help.

The group brainstormed on some ideas to help the Animal Shelter, such as holding a community fundraiser / social, or working with the scouting organizations to organize some drives. Kim will speak to Paul and work with Missy on contacting the Scouts and report at the next meeting.

Recruitment – Kim welcomed the guests present and expressed how exciting it was to have them at the meeting and hope they will consider coming on board. She also reported talking to other community members that are interested in helping out. Jovanni and Kim both discussed working on public relations and getting the word out as to who we are and what we are doing and the functions that we are working on. Hoping with the amount of fliers that did go out and upcoming activities we can draw more people in.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Adjournment – 8:45 p.m. by Kim

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Osgood

