

Environmental Forum Meeting Notes 5/2/22

Present: Susan, PJ, Sue, Glenda, Lori, Deb Mathias, Shirley, Julie

Local News:

- Moline: Sue reports several environmental issues were on Moline city council agenda. She is waiting for minutes to be posted. Land Bank. Lead water-service lines (customers are responsible for service lines—apparently 4000 homeowners. But there is funding for this. Sue shared minutes from last meeting. Shirley picked up lots of recyclables on recent bike ride. Sue's neighborhood also had cleanup
- Eldridge: Mike Wilcox reported water testing at 8 locations all passed safety markers.
- Bettendorf: nothing relevant
- Davenport: Still working on getting electric busses. Have had a couple of neighborhood cleanups.
- Milan: Nothing environmentally relevant. But Deb cleaned up around Steel Dam one day
- Silvis: Nothing environmentally relevant
- Rock Island: Nothing environmentally relevant
- Scott County is discouraging solar--refusing to rezone for farmers who want to install. PJ will track down County board minutes. Lori will track down RI County minutes \$25/month

Glenda NAACP update: Tomato-in-a-pot giveaway scheduled for May 14th. This year will be at the Lincoln Center in Davenport. Tom Monroe from Iowa Extension will give presentation on tomato care. Plants will also be distributed to Davenport Schools Stepping Stones program. Goal: 50 doors knocked on. 11-1 pm

Oral History Project movie: I am the Future was shown yesterday. It will shown various places around town.

Pollinator Palooza at Putnam at May 14th. Julie will submit to WEU

Journey of the World Girl Scout Event at Bett. Waterfront was well received. Pine cone feeders will be on hold in near future, to avoid spreading of avian flu

Table at Ambrose on Earth Day was success.

May 7th Earth Day Event at the Farmers Marker: 31 organizations will be represented. We need tables.

Green Drinks: Randy Moore, president of IA American Water will speak.

Upcoming Green Drinks will involve site visits AND we need to find new Green Drinks drinking location.

Proclamations; Bett/Dav/RI/Moline/E Moline for Earth Day/Earth Week/ Earth Month

City of Moline is doing a water challenge, encouraging residents to preserve water. Should we send a thank you?

#NoMowMay could be a thing. Julie can draft a letter to public works asking about no mow May or will write a letter to the editor, as a second option

Notes taken by Julie Ross