

## **Moline Commission on Youth**

Thursday, March 20, 2014 - 4:00 pm

Moline Public Library

3210 - 41<sup>st</sup> Street, Moline

### **MINUTES**

Present: Elizabeth Finch, Greg Johnson, Jane Koenig, Greg Masias and Janet Zam, City Staff Liaison.

Absent: Jan Erikson-Vroman and Lynne Meeske

Guest Speakers: Marty Mahieu, Coordinator of the Natural Helpers at Moline High School with two of his Natural Helper team leaders: Jenna Lawrence and Angela Olvera. Lori Wilson from the City of Moline Parks and Recreation Department.

The meeting began at 4:00 pm. Co-Chairman Jane Koenig welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Marty Mahieu and Natural Helper team leaders: Jenna Lawrence and Angela Olvera spoke on behalf of the Natural Helpers program at Moline High School. The Natural Helper's program is a group of 120 students that help other students address issues in their lives (drugs, alcohol, dating, eating disorders, etc.). They stated that the funding would be used to help buy materials and supplies for ongoing training for the Natural Helpers to enable them to help other students.

Lori Wilson from the City of Moline Parks and Recreation Department was in attendance to discuss a funding request for the Spooktacular through Prospect Park Trails to be held on Saturday, October 18, 2014. She requested a donation to purchase candy for the event. There will be food, fun and magic and over 400 kids will attend. The Music Guild actors volunteer to dress in costume and pass out candy along the trails. They hold this event annually. Funding will be needed before October, 2014.

Following the departure of the guest speaker the Commission members discussed the two requests.

A motion was made by Greg Masias to donate \$200.00 to Lori Wilson. This motion was seconded by Jane Koenig. Motion carried.

Janet Zam will prepare a voucher to distribute the funding for the Spooktacular.

A decision will be made at a later date concerning a donation to the Natural Helpers.

A motion was made by Jane Koenig, seconded by Greg Masias to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Pam Lohman, Chairman of Project Graduation and Coach Dan Olson, of Wilson Middle School Wrestling Team have asked to attend the Youth Commission meeting on April 17, 2014.

Greg Masias, Elizabeth Finch and Jan Erikson-Vroman, whose term on the Youth Commission expires 3-31-2014, have agreed to remain for another 3 year term.

A motion was made to adjourn by Jane Koenig, seconded by Elizabeth Finch. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

The next meeting will be held on April 17, 2014 at 4 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Janet Zam**

City Staff Liaison and Commissioner Janet Zam  
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