



**Meeting Date:** Thursday, November 16, 2023  
**Meeting Time:** 6:00 P.M.  
**Meeting Location:** City Hall-118 Hillsboro Avenue  
Edwardsville, IL 62025

# COOL CITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Committee Members

Rachel Tompkins, Chair  
Michael Katich  
Tom Kinsella  
Cara Lytle- A

Stephanie Malench  
Kristen Pauli- A  
Sherrill Wible

1. Call to Order- 6:00 pm
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes from the October 19, 2023 Cool Cities Committee meeting
4. Citizens wishing to address the Board
  - a. **Cheryl Watson- concerned that apartment she lives in does not have recycling. RT will call Republic to see if they are refusing or if it is up to apartment complex owners. Cheryl will call Madison County**
5. Announcements
  - a. Commission Changes
    - **The City is getting rid of Cool Cities and creating a new Commission combining Cool Cities with the Tree and Beautification Committee. Sara Cundiff from Tree and Beautification will be the Chair of the new committee.**
    - **Tom Kinsella thinks feels this is not well thought out and is disrespectful to the members of our committee.**
    - **We will have a budget.**
    - **Has been a trend in neighboring communities.**
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6. Old Business
  - a. **Parking Ordinance status- City is cleaning it up and deciding what to put in it. Reorganizing it in a way that makes since.**
  - b. **City Vegetation Policy- Michael contacted the National Wildlife Organization and Mark Miller will be the arbitrator.**
  - c. **Green Cities Challenge-Submitted**
7. New Business
  - a. Inventory current projects
    - **Landscaping ordinance**
    - **Library Resources display 2x a year**
    - **Ameren Spraying along paths.**
    - **Recycling at City Events and apartments**
    - **Ripple glass recycling for downtown**

- **Exception for enclosure rules for recycling downtown**
  - **EPA grants for urban composting**
  - **No Mow April and Leave the Leaves**
  - **Ban of Styrofoam take out containers**
  - **Stretch code for building standards**
- b. Recommended projects for new commission
- **All of the inventoried current projects**
8. Adjournment- **7:29pm**

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*Rachel V. Tompkins*