

## **Mayor's Report – January 2013**

### ***Appointments:***

**Board of Adjustment:** The Board is gender balanced with 3 women and 2 men.

**Tom Breese-** reappointed, his new term ends, Dec. 2017

**Rachel Stewart-** appointed to finish Larry Wilson's term which ends, Dec. 2014.

**Zoning Commission:** The commission is gender balanced with 3 women and 2 men.

**Larry Wilson-** appointed. His term ends, Dec. 2017.

Special thanks to **Karl Robertson** for his past service on the Commission.

**Kris McLure** - appointed to finish Bill Gay's term which ends, Dec. 2014.

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### **\*Mayor's MVP's for 2012:**

**Carol Ann & Scott Christiansen, Pat Yeggy and Eunice Hunzelman- the Garden Club.** With the drought of 2012, it was a difficult time for most gardens, however, the University Heights garden spot was one of the most beautiful in the county. I heard from the many residents and people passing by than probably any other year about its beauty. This volunteer club depends only on donations and also assists with some plantings at our triangle park and the flower pots in front of the city office. Wow- what an awesome job!

**John McLure-** our city videographer. In Feb. 2012, I received an email from Ty Coleman of City Channel 4, recommending that they give University Heights council meetings a designated spot on their weekly program schedule. Ty stated, "John McLure has been doing an excellent job of providing us with his coverage of these meetings and we'd like to officially add it to our meeting line-up Thursdays, at 9 p.m." John is a dedicated volunteer and I have heard from many residents and others who have been able to now view our council meetings on TV. Super-awesome job!

Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – attended Urbanized Area Policy Board Meeting of the MPO-JC. Highlights: I was appointed to the nominating committee to recommend a new chair for the January meeting. Discussed more Moving Ahead Toward Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century- MAP-21 updates. Also reviewed some preliminary budget figures. Updated a letter to advocate the Chicago to Council Bluffs/ Omaha passenger rail service. Let me know if you have questions.

Emergency Management announcement: A Weather Spotting Class will be held at the Coralville Library Feb. 28, 6-8pm. The class is free. You will need to pre-register. I can email you the site if you want to attend. This is a very popular class.