

## ***Keep Newberry County Beautiful Monthly Meeting Minutes***

Meeting held at: *USDA Service Center -719 Kendall Rd. Conference Room*

*Tuesday, August 12, 2025 Start Time: 5:35 p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 5:59 p.m.,*

**Present:** Scott Lukoski, Chairman Beth Jaeger, Treasurer, Ashely Boone, Secretary; Ram Garcia, member; Crista Lukoski, Executive Director

**Apologies of Absence** Denis Doucette, Vice Chairman

**Next meeting:** October 11, 2025 5:30 pm USDA Service Center

### ***Agenda Items:***

Scott Lukoski called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 5:35 p.m. A quorum was established. Scott Lukoski provided an invocation.

**Meeting Minutes:** were approved.

**Additional Agenda Items:** none

**Treasurer's Report:** included the bank balance for the KNCB Checking Account \$29,132.59

**Chairman's Report:** Scott reported the Litter Summit is coming in September, which is a great opportunity to learn about programs across the state.

**Staff Report:** was presented by Crista Lukoski- see attached.

Crista reported the \$1500 mini grant is now live with 3 applications so far.

Crista reported completing activities for KAB 2025.

Crista reported working with Keep the Midlands beautiful for annual cleanup of Lake Murray Sept 20

Crista reported giving out supplies for multiple adopt a highway groups over last several months.

Crista reported adverting campaign for Greatest Cleanup and Adopt a Highway has been completed for 2025.

Crista reported on the success of Camp Conservation.

Crista reported multiple events with the Library of Newberry to have story time and give away books (part of Palmetto Pride grant funds) books are centered around the environment.

Crista reported that the Halloween costume recycling is now in effect, we've had a few costumes dropped of to be recycled in October.

### ***Old Business:***

Ram stated he tried contacting Truck show owner with no success. Logistics will likely be an issue.

### ***New Business:***

Scott started a discussion about the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration for July 2026. We need to start planning if doing anything on a county scale. Have ideas for October meeting.

Palmetto Pride annual grant was discussed with questions about what items to request funding. The Litter wars campaign in schools, books across America program and funding for Trailer upkeep were brought up.

**Executive Session:** there was none

**Meeting adjourned:** at 5:59 pm

### ***I. Action Items***

Motion to accept the minutes: Mover: Ashley Boone Second: Ram Garcia– unanimous –Motion carried

Motion to adjourn at 5:59 p.m. – Mover; Beth Jaeger, Second; Ram Garcia, unanimous, motion Carried.

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Crista Lukoski, District Coordinator

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