

## If I Were Mayor Mirabel Abraham

If I were mayor of Carroll, Iowa, I would work to make the town more environmentally friendly. One of my first three steps to accomplish this goal would be to create more places for citizens to walk and hike. Another one of my objectives would be to make Swan Lake cleaner. My third idea is to have a renewable energy source in Carroll. My three main ambitions will make Carroll more equipped for the future and will attract more people to Carroll.

My first goal as mayor would be to construct more places for people to walk and hike. I would build more sidewalks especially on roads that are busy and dangerous. Having these sidewalks would cause Carroll to become safer because there would be less risk of accidents, and therefore there would be less risk of citizens getting injured than there is now. Constructing more sidewalks would also encourage people to exercise and be outside more which is excellent for their health. I would purchase a farm somewhere close to Carroll to achieve this goal. However, if someone would donate a farm that would be even better. I would create trails on the farm. These trails would make a pleasurable place for people to hike. Having these areas for people to walk and hike would attract more people to Carroll because people want places to be outside and to walk safely.

The second action I would take as mayor would be to make Swan Lake a cleaner and more enjoyable place. I would invest in an ultrasonic algae control device. Ultrasonic algae control gets rid of algae by blocking the algae from the nutrients and sunlight it needs. This kills the algae and prevents more algae growth without releasing or using harmful chemicals. It's easy to install, takes little maintenance, and some can be remotely controlled. Ultrasonic Algae Control can cost from \$350-\$3,900, so it's not only the best option for Carroll, but it is affordable. Buying an ultrasonic algae control device will bring more business to Carroll, so the revenue generated by it will pay for the device. Cleaning the algae out of Swan Lake would attract more people to Carroll whereas right now not many people use and utilize Swan Lake because they find it displeasing. Cleaning Swan Lake will create another activity for citizens that are already living in Carroll as well. It also contributes to my main goal of making Carroll more environmentally friendly.

Finally, the third step I would take if I was the mayor of Carroll, Iowa would be to have a renewable energy source. I would create a solar farm as this source. While solar farms do cost quite a bit they are a purchase that will help Carroll in the long run. This will provide an energy source that will approximately eliminate the cost of energy. Having a solar farm will also help Carroll by providing jobs for citizens. Having a solar farm would make it so we doing our part to attempt to stop global warming. Having a solar farm would not only make Carroll a more progressive and desirable town to live in, but it would make Carroll more environmentally friendly as well.

Constructing more places for people to walk and hike, making Swan Lake cleaner, and purchasing a renewable energy source would be my first three actions as mayor of Carroll, Iowa. By achieving these objectives I would be achieving my overall goal as mayor of Carroll, Iowa.