

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
October 17, 2006**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Doug Hodel  
Martin Garcia  
Yogi Christesson

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rod Cates	Victor Sotelo	JoAnn Sczech	Stephanie Kraly	Tara Castille
Malcolm Bramlett	Carolyn Cockerell	Jerry Harris	Kevin Riney	Mary Perkins
Dave Boyll	Sydnye Moore	Tim Dickenson		

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Linda Taubert	Wendy Stovall	Mary Ann Martin	Jana Moreno
Monica Shannon	Tom Rigsby		

**SUPPORT MEMBERS PRESENT**

Megan Santee – City, Legal Dept.      Mary Beth Kilgore – TX DOT

**Item I: Call to Order.** Doug Hodel called the meeting to order.

**Item II: Welcome Guests**

Sharla Hotchkiss      Dennis Reegan

**Item III: Approval of minutes.** Yogi Christesson *made the motion to accept the minutes. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.*

**Item IV: Treasurer’s Report** – Yogi Christesson gave the treasurer’s report as follows:

**As of August 2006**

Balance	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
<b>General Oper Acct</b>		
43,574.81	(\$72.00)	\$3787.70
<b>Crape Myrtle Account</b>		
\$5,549.15	(\$0)	\$0

*Sydnye Moore made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report as written. Dave Boyll seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.*

**Item V: Action Non-Action Items**

**A.** Election of new Board of Directors – Doug Hodel introduced and welcomed new board members. Mary Perkins, Jerry Harris, Carolyn Cockerell and Kevin Riney. Monica Shannon was not present. Doug also presented plaques to outgoing board members Sydney Moore, Dave Boyll and Tim Dickenson. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to accept the new board members, Yogi Christesson seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.*

**B.** Changing of the Gavel from Doug Hodel to Martin Garcia – Doug presented the gavel to the incoming president Martin Garcia.

**C.** Discussion and Possible Approval of KAB Annual Budget –There were few changes made to the budget this year. Malcolm Bramlett stated that the KAB trailer needed boards replaced. Originally, the cost estimate was approximately \$250.00 for lumber. However, following the recent hurricane, the price of lumber has increased significantly. Following

some discussion the recommendation was made to put the trailer on the November meeting. *Yogi Christesson made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Rod Cates seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.*

**D.** Discussion and approval of funds for the Buy Recycled Campaign – Stephanie Kraly presented samples of recycled tags for store shelves. She stated she did not get all of the samples she wanted to bring and that the costs vary for these tags. After discussion, a motion was made to table this item until further cost analysis information could be obtained. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to table this item until there is a cost analysis. Yogi Christesson seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.*

**E.** Report on Texas Recycles Day – Doug Hodel stated that Texas Recycled day is November 15<sup>th</sup> and is a joint effort between TXDOT, Keep Texas Beautiful and Goodwill Industries. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event. Goodwill trucks all over the state of Texas will be out that weekend and will be at TXDOT locations accepting donations from individuals to be resold in Goodwill stores. The hours for the event will be from 9 am to 5 pm. Some details are still being worked out and more information will be provided at the November meeting.

**F.** Sign up for Bingo – Martin Garcia stated October and November slots are filled. He said he would like to see more diversity and others signing up to cover the KAB bingo session. Bingo is Wednesday nights only.

**G.** Coordinator's Report:

- Lesli Andrews circulated Keep Texas Beautiful Christmas ornaments. All three editions are available for purchase from the Keep Abilene Beautiful Coordinator.
- Keep Abilene Beautiful partnered with the Environmental Recycle Center to have a float in the West Texas Fair parade and won first place receiving a \$100.00 check.
- Last week Fall Clean was conducted. The results of this cleanup included: 612 customers, 85 tons of trash, and 9 tons of metal collected.
- Approximately 80 officers from around the State participated in the Environmental Law Class sponsored by the TCEQ. A reception was held on Wednesday evening hosted by KAB. Tim Dickenson represented the Keep Abilene Beautiful Board of Directors. KAB received rave reviews on the conference. Briercroft Inc. underwrote half of the expense for the evening.
- Lesli reminded past and present Board members of the Open Records and Open Meetings Course that must be completed by December 31, 2006. This training may be taken on the internet. A certificate of completion must be printed and either delivered (Suite 110) or faxed (734-3300) to Sheryl at City Hall.
- The Keep America Beautiful conference will be held in December. Dyess AFB won second place with Keep America Beautiful and will be honored at this conference.

**H.** Board Retreat – Sharla Hotchkiss, Keep Texas Beautiful – Sharla spoke on some of the following items:

- Purpose of the Mission Statement – the mission statement should provide clarity, focus, commitment, as well as communicate and market the organization's purpose.
- Use of Goals: Limited number of statements which transmits the association's mission into major policy directions.
- Focus Areas – Prevent litter, beautify and improve communities, reduce waste.
- Guiding Principals – Individual responsibility, education, partnership, volunteerism
- Partnership for Success – government/public; business/private sectors; civic groups (citizens)
- Basic Responsibilities of non-profit board