KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL BOARD MEETING September 5, 2007

OFFICERS PRESENT

Martin Garcia Tara Castille Yogi Christesson

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Rod Cates JoAnn Sczech Mary Perkins Jerry Harris Carolyn Cockerell Jana Moreno

Malcolm Bramlett Kevin Riney Doug Hodel Stephanie Kraly Monica Shannon

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Victor Sotelo Mary Ann Martin JoAnn Sczech Tom Rigsby

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Beth Kilgore Wendy Stovall

SUPPORT MEMBERS PRESENT

Jon James, City, Planning & Development Mike Wegner, City, Solid Waste Services Jim Winward, City, Public Works

Kelly Messer, City Attorney's Office Donna Albus, Keep Texas Beautiful

WELCOME GUESTS:

Hector Villareal, Sam's Club	Wanda Kayfus, Sam's Club
Karen Rutledge, Sam's Club	Dave Duenas

Call to Order. Martin Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Item I:

Approval of Minutes. Stephanie Kraly moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Rod Item II: Cates seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. Yogi Christesson gave July's treasurer's report as follows: Item III: As of July 31, 2007:

Balance	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
General Operating Account		
\$47,626.15	\$3,282.42	\$0
Crape Myrtle Account		
\$5549.15		

Approval of Treasurer's Report. Malcolm Bramlett moved to accept the treasurer's report for audit. Tara Castille seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Item IV: **Action Items**

A. **Discussion and Possible Approval for funds for crape myrtles at Expo Center –** Malcolm Bramlett has been approached by the Taylor County Expo Board of Directors asking for \$3,068 to replace the dying evergreen with crape myrtles at the entrance to the Expo Center Coliseum. There is drip irrigation in place. Donna Albus asked about possible renovations in the near future to the Expo Center. Malcolm confirmed that the Expo Board had approved this request for new plants. The KAB board decided not to fund this project until it has been confirmed if there are renovations in the works and the Expo center is committed to maintain the crape myrtles.

B. Discussion and Possible Approval for funds for recycling receptacles – Jill Flores stated that there is a need for recycling containers for plastic bottles and aluminum cans at special events. She has received a quote from Resourceful Bag & Tag for 5 Clear Stream recycle containers for \$300. The decals for "plastic only" and "aluminum only" are \$25 for a total cost of \$325. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to expend \$325.00 for the containers. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.*

C. Discussion and Possible Approval of 2007-2008 KAB Budget – Jill Flores stated that the total income and expenses both total \$24,414.00. Jerry Harris made a motion to approve 2007-2008 KAB Budget. Malcolm Bramlett seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

D. Discussion and Possible Approval for funds for speaker Ed Brown, Oct 1st – Jill Flores stated that Connecting Caring Communities and HSU's Neighborhood Enhancement Center has approached KAB to sponsor Ed Brown from Care of Creation to an event open to the public on October 1st at the First Baptist Church Dining Room. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to expend \$250.00 for the speaker fee. Mary Perkins seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.*

Item V: Non-Action Items

A. Report from Adopt-a-Highway – Mary Beth Kilgore – Looking for an Adopt A Highway group to attend the conference in Austin.

B. Report from Taylor Extension Office – Melissa Clifton was absent, no report given.

C. Report from AISD – Ledessa White was absent, no report given.

D. Report from WISD – Nick Pruitt was absent, no report was given.

E. Report from Solid Waste Services/Environmental Recycle Center – Mike Wegner gave a report on the recent ACU and HSU cleanups. He mentioned that SWS is getting ready for Fall Clean and Tire Amnesty Days.

F. Report from WCTCOG – Wendy Stovall was absent, no report given.

G. Sign up for Bingo – Sign-up for Bingo for September and October.

H. Sign up for Artwalk – Martin Garcia stated the next Artwalk is September 13th.

I. Sign up for Mum Sale, September 22^{nd} – Jill Flores stated that the 2 ½ hour work shifts from 7:30 am until 3:00 pm need to be filled.

J. Coordinator's Report – Jill Flores reported on Adopt-A-Spot, groups continue to pledge to keep areas clean. She stated that an award application for the Cigarette Litter Prevention Program was submitted to Keep America Beautiful with a cash prize for winners. The green reusable bags should be here any day from China. Jill spoke more about the mum sale event, Artwalk and the upcoming Fall Clean on October 11-13.

Item VI: Next Meeting – The next meeting will be October 3, 2007.

Item VII: Adjournment – with no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.