

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL
BOARD MEETING
April 2, 2008
Cotton Patch Cafe**

OFFICERS PRESENT

Tara Castille
Carolyn Cockerell
Yogi Christesson

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Rod Cates	Mary Ann Martin	Wade Grissom	Stephanie Kraly
Mary Perkins	Malcolm Bramlett	Doug Hodel	
Jana Moreno	Martin Garcia	JoAnn Sczech	

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Kevin Riney	Jerry Harris	Monica Shannon
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EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Wendy Stovall	Mary Beth Kilgore	Melissa Clifton
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SUPPORT MEMBERS PRESENT

Jon James, Planning & Development Services	Mike Wegner, Solid Waste Services
Priscilla Templeton, Community Enhancement	Donna Albus, Keep Texas Beautiful
Jim Winward, Public Works	

WELCOME GUESTS:

Item I: **Call to Order.** Yogi Christesson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Item II: **Approval of Minutes.** Stephanie Kraly moved to approve the March minutes with corrections to the spelling of Tara Castille's name and removal of one of the entries of Jim Winward, Public Works under Support Members Present. Yogi Christesson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Item III: **Treasurer's Report.** Yogi Christesson gave treasurer's report as follows:

Balance	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
General Operating Account		
\$64,748.06	\$1,800.00	\$1,707.14

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

Item IV: **Action Items**

A. Discussion and Possible Approval of funds to assist in Leadership Abilene Beautification Project- Mary Ann Martin Carolyn Cockerell reported the need for funds to beautification of recycle site on Buffalo Gap. There was discussion regarding improvement of a vacant lot in the Old Town Neighborhood, it was tabled pending discussion with Kyle Thomas. ***Malcolm Bramlett motioned to approve \$500 for the project. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.***

Item V: **Non-Action Items**

A. Report on Business Expo – Malcolm Bramlett reported there were 300 green bags given out, approximately 1,000 new recycled pens. We may want to think about participating in the Home Show next

year. The green bags were a hot item; we may want to think about selling them. The Grab-Its have Abilene misspelled, we will contact the company for a price reduction on our next order.

B. Art Walk – Carolyn Cockerell reported they will be in front of her business.

C. Report from Adopt-a-Highway – Mary Beth Kilgore reported that the sign up continues to be slow. We have 15 in Taylor County out of a possible 60. Questioned if anyone has heard any advertising.

D. Report from Taylor Extension Office -- Melissa Clifton reported this is the last month for the rose sale, they have a little over 100 left, and cost is \$7 for a 2 gallon container.

E. Report from WCTCOG – Mary Ann Martin thanked Wendy Stovall for the recycled rulers and pens.

F. Report from AISD – No report given.

G. Report from Solid Waste Services/Environmental Recycle Center – Mike Wegner distributed Spring Clean info. They also have 12-14 yards of compost to sell.

H. Reminder about Trash-Off, April 5 – Tara Castille reported there are still 2 spots open.

I. Reminder about Spring Clean, April 12 – Tara Castille reported there is only 1 spot open.

J. Sign-up for Spring Clean, April 12 – Tara Castille reported still need help with the 10:30 – 1:00 shifts.

Item VI: Next Meeting – The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 7, 2008, Cotton Patch.

Item VII: Adjournment – with no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.