

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
May 7, 2008  
Cotton Patch Cafe**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Tara Castille  
Carolyn Cockerell

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jerry Harris	Mary Ann Martin	Stephanie Kraly	Martin Garcia
Mary Perkins	Malcolm Bramlett	JoAnn Sczech	

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Kevin Riney	Jana Moreno	Monica Shannon	Yogi Christesson
Rod Cates	Wade Grissom	Doug Hodel	

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mary Beth Kilgore

**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	Kelley Messer, Legal
Leonard Neith, ERC	Bob Cheatham, Parks
Mary McMahon, Community Enhancement	

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

**Item II:**        **Approval of Minutes.** *Stephanie Kraly moved to approve the April minutes. Martin Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item III:**       **Treasurer's Report.** Tara Castille gave the March Treasurer's Report as follows:

Balance	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
<b>General Operating Account</b>		
\$61,411.86	\$4,243.14	\$897.00

**Approval of Treasurer's Report.** *Stephanie Kraly moved to accept the treasurer's report for audit. MaryAnn Martin seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item IV:**       **Action Items**

- A.    **Discussion and Possible Approval of funds to purchase additional green reusable bags-**Jill Flores reported that we have approximately 200 bags remaining from our original order of 2000 and she would like to order another 2000 at .90 per bag. Donna Albus stated that the Convention Bureau is interested in co-coordinating with us on the bags, they order 10,000 a year. This is something for the group to think about for the next order. *Malcolm Bramlett motioned to approve purchasing 2000 bags. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.*
- B.    **Discussion and Possible Approval of funds for reception for Solid Waste Services-**Priscilla Rayford Templeton discussed the goodwill a reception will provide. Mike Wegner will discuss with his staff and get back to Jill Flores with a date and time that works best for the department. *Malcolm*

*Bramlett motioned to approve spending up to \$500 on the reception. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.*

**Item V: Non-Action Items**

**A. Reminder on Business After Hours May 15, 2008-** The KAB awards will be presented at this event. The winners are Xstream Car Wash for the Mayor's Water Conservation Award, SzeChuan Restaurant for the Donna Albus Beautification Award and The Habitat for Humanity-Restore for the Dean Adams Recycling Award.

**B. Reminder about Janet Parkey Award presentation** – Austin Elementary is the winner, award will be presented at the May 12<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting. A date will be set to take a cake and balloons to the school.

**C. Date for Litter Index** – As there was no litter index done last year it's important do one this year. Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> was the date selected. Everyone will meet at the City Hall parking lot at 9:00 am and disperse from there.

**D. ArtWalk Activities** - Carolyn Cockerell reported that there will be a dance performance in the art gallery directed at baby boomers. We will be setting up in front of her gallery, need people to sign up.

**E. Report on Leadership Abilene project** – Carolyn Cockerell reported the Buffalo Gap Road site clean up was well attended. The area looks very good. There was a loss of one type of plant; Jill will talk to Luke Harwell at Baack's about a guarantee on the plants.

**F. Discussion of Board participation in KAB sponsored events** – Malcolm Bramlett discussed the need for Board members to attend KAB events. There was discussion regarding some of the events KAB is currently involved in and if we wouldn't be better served participating in other events (ex. instead of Business Expo maybe the Home & Garden Show, instead of setting up at ArtWalk perhaps setting up in front of businesses like Lowe's or Wal-Mart for a few hours on a Saturday morning). This item will be tabled until next month's meeting.

**G. Report on Expo Center landscaping project** – Malcolm Bramlett reported that the \$3,500 approved last year has been put to good use. If you get a chance you should go by, they did the west side in front of the entrance and along the front. They will need additional funds to complete the area.

**H. Report on Trash-Off** - Priscilla Rayford Templeton reported that there was a good turn out; 13 sites were cleaned up.

**I. Report on Spring Clean** – Mike Wegner reported that they had 94 customers, 4 tons of tree limbs, 3 tons of metal, 2500 tires, 1150 paint cans. The Recycle Center has a check in the amount of \$1,560 for aluminum cans for KAB.

**J. Report on ICAN Clean Up** – Malcolm Bramlett reported they collected 50 tons of tree limbs and 250 tons of general trash.

**K. Report on Keep Texas Beautiful** – Priscilla Rayford Templeton announced that registrations have been completed and hotel rooms have been reserved.

**L. Report from Adopt-a-Highway** – No report.

**M. Report from Taylor Extension Office** – No report.

**N. Report from WCTCOG** – No report.

**O. Report from AISD** – No report.

**P. Report from Solid Waste Services/Environmental Recycle Center** – See I. above.

**Q. Reminder about school supply recycling last week of school in May** – Schools were not interested in participating last year. The last day of school is May 30<sup>th</sup>. Solid Waste can deliver containers to the school. Jill Flores will contact schools to determine their interest and Mary Ann Martin will discuss with Dr. Polnick once we have a date. Jill reported that the schools collected 2500 tons of phone books during the Project Re-Directory. Several schools have opted to plant a tree. The schools will let us know when they will be planting so we can attend.

**R. Reminder Keep Texas Beautiful Awards are due May 13<sup>th</sup>** – You can access the applications online.

**Item VI:** Next Meeting – The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 4, 2008, Cotton Patch.

**Item VII:** Adjournment – with no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.