

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL
BOARD MEETING
September 2, 2009
Betty Rose's Little Brisket**

OFFICERS PRESENT

MaryAnn Martin
Malcolm Bramlett

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Martin Garcia	Tara Castille	Alice (Brown) Bull	Doug Hodel
JoAnn Sczech	Janet Smith	Dede Morris	Wade Grissom

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Stephanie Kraly	Rod Cates	Jerry Harris
Sheila Richardson	Carolyn Cockerell	

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Melissa Sturdivant, Taylor Co. Extension	Jon James, Planning & Development Services
Donna Albus, KTB	Theresa James, City Attorney's Office
Ledessa White, AISD	

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Larry Gilley, City Manager	Mary Beth Kilgore, TXDOT
Raymond Grothaus, BFI	Leonard Neith, Environmental Recycling Ct.
Wendy Stovall, WCTCOG	

SUPPORT MEMBERS PRESENT

Priscilla Templeton, Community Enhancement Division
Jim Winward, Public Works

Item I: **Call to Order.** MaryAnn Martin called the meeting to order at 12:21 p.m.

Item II: **Approval of Minutes.** *Malcolm Bramlett made the motion to approve August minutes; Tara Castille seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

Item III: **Treasurer's Report.** Malcolm Bramlett gave the July Treasurer's Report and stated that Priscilla has been working on bringing the report current and hopes to have it by the next meeting. July's report is as follows:

General Operating Account	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
Balance		
\$26,430.28	\$2,362.04	\$1,518.05
More Green in Abilene	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
Balance		
\$2,650.00	\$0	\$0

Approval of Treasurer's Report. *Tara Castille made the motion to accept the treasurer's report for audit. Wade Grissom seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

Item IV: **Action Items**

A. Discussion and Possible Approval to Re-Start the "Green In Abilene" Bag Program – Priscilla Templeton reviewed the current status of the program. We have collected \$2,650 in commitments but that is not enough to move forward with the program. *Malcolm Bramlett made the motion to suspend the*

program and prepare a letter to those that have contributed either a refund or to reapply funds to another project. Tara Castille seconded the and the motion passed unanimously.

- B. Discussion and Possible Approval of Purchase of Promotional Games for Artwalk and other events** – Priscilla Templeton discussed how useful the “wheel” was at the last event, it’s a way to bring people in as well as educate. *Malcolm Bramlett made the motion to allocate up to \$600 for educational items. Dede Morris seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*
- C. Discussion and Possible Approval of New Mission Statement** – MaryAnn Martin distributed copies of a proposed new mission statement. Donna Albus suggested we keep our mission statement in line with Keep Texas Beautiful which states “**To Educate and Engage Texans To Take Responsibility For Improving Their Community Environment.**” *Tara Castille made a motion to adopt the new mission statement; Janet Smith seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.*
- D. Discussion and Possible Approval of Funds for Recycling Project at New Tech High School-MaryAnn Martin removed this item from the agenda.**
- E. Discussion and Possible Approval of the 2009-2010 Budget** – MaryAnn Martin reviewed the historical income information from last year. Discussion took place regarding the need to increase fund raising thereby increasing the general fund. The board needs to make sure that any change to our attendance/sponsorship of recognition events will not affect the requirements for our awards submission. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to accept the budget; Dede Morris seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*
- F. Discussion and Possible Approval of Date to Tour Abilene** – MaryAnn Martin discussed the need for the Board to take a tour of Abilene to see which areas could best be helped by KAB. MaryAnn Martin and Priscilla Templeton will compile a list of dates and times and send to everyone.
- G. Discussion and Possible Approval of Funds for Lunch after Litter Index** – Priscilla Templeton discussed the need to complete the litter index before the end of September. The group decided that they would form groups of 3 or 4 and get the information to Priscilla. *Malcolm Bramlett motioned that lunch not be provided as it would not be done as a group. Martin Garcia seconded and motioned carried unanimously.*

Item V: Non-Action Items

- A. Coordinator’s Report** – Priscilla Templeton reminded everyone that Artwalk will take place next week. We have been invited to participate in Christmas Lane; Leonard will be handling. The West Texas Fair and Rodeo Parade will be September 12th, attendance is not mandatory but everyone is encouraged to attend. We will again be judging the Something From Nothing contest. Lowe’s was very receptive to KAB holding their Crepe Myrtle sale there this year.
- B. Report from Adopt-A-Highway** – No report.
- C. Report from Extension Office** – No report.
- D. Report from WCTCOG** – No report.
- E. Report from AISD** – No report.
- F. Report from Solid Waste Services** – Jim Winward reported that the paving of the Buffalo Gap Rd. recycling center has been completed.
- G. Report on KTB Fall Training Forum** – Donna Albus reported that Keep Texas Beautiful will have Affiliate Training at the Civic Center in Abilene September 24th from 9am-5pm. Wendy Stovall and Leonard Neith will be speaking. It’s no charge and lunch will be provided. If you plan on attending please let Donna know as soon as possible. .

Item VI: Next Meeting – The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 7, 2009, Location TBA.

Item VII: Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.