

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
January 6, 2010  
MCM Elegante Suites**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

MaryAnn Martin  
Malcolm Bramlett  
Martin Garcia

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tara Castille  
Doug Hodel  
Dede Morris  
Stephanie Kraly  
Wade Grissom

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Sheila Richardson  
Alice Bull  
Joann Sczech  
Rod Cates  
Janet Smith  
Carolyn Cockerell

**ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Wendy Patterson, WCTCOG  
Donna Albus, KTB  
Leonard Neith, Environmental Recycling Ctr.

Jon James, Planning & Development Services  
Theresa James, City Attorney's Office

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Jim Winward, Public Works

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS/ADVISORY MEMBERS ABSENT**

Larry Gilley, City Manager  
Raymond Grothaus, BFI  
Mary Beth Kilgore, TXDOT  
Melissa Strudivant, Taylor Co. Extension Office

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Steve Castille (Tara's husband)  
Brent McClellan- Storm water Services  
Alexis Rolfe-Storm water Services  
Davey Daniel-Public Services  
Martin Jensen-The Park People  
Lydia Long-The Park People

**Item I:**        **Call to Order.** MaryAnn Martin called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

**Item II:**        **Approval of Minutes.** *Malcolm Barnett made the motion to approve December minutes; Martin Garcia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item III: Treasurer’s Report.** Malcolm Bramlett gave the Treasurer’s Report as of January 6, 2010; report is as follows for December activity:

<b>General Operating Account</b>	<b>Checks Written/Cost</b>	<b>Deposits</b>
<b>Balance</b>		
\$28,414.22	\$0	\$2021.00
<b>More Green in Abilene</b>	<b>Checks Written/Cost</b>	<b>Deposits</b>
<b>Balance</b>		
\$2,650.00	\$0	\$0

**Approval of Treasurer’s Report:** *Martin Garcia made the motion to accept the treasurer’s report in its new format for audit. Doug Hodel seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item IV: Action Items**

**A. No action items were discussed or voted on this board meeting.**

**Item V: Non-Action Items**

- A. Coordinator’s Report**— Brent McClellan from Stormwater Services provided an update on the hiring of the Coordinator position; he indicated that his boss, the Director, said that they would know in 2 weeks if the position would be posted or if duties would transition over to Alexis. He will keep us updated. Brent and Alexis also discussed attending a webinar right before our board meeting related to GCAA. They will go back and discuss and decide a game plan on putting together our package. The packages are due by February 9, 2010 so there isn’t much time to put it together. They have the information from past years and will rely on the Board members to provide pictures and any other information that needs to be included. Alexis will email us the categories.
- B. Report from Adopt-A-Highway**—No report
- C. Report from Extension Office**—No report
- D. Report from WCTCOG**—Wendy Patterson is working on several grants including the municipal solid waste grant. She is also working on a regional tire project for tire cleanup in our region. She wanted to alert everyone that there is grant money available from the Governor’s office for citizens in our region that reimburses them for installing storm shelters, up to \$3,000.00. She also continues to work on local recycling and litter prevention projects.
- E. Report from AISD**—No report
- F. Report from Solid Waste Services**—Leonard Neith brought two checks totaling \$1,300.00 from cardboard and aluminum can recycling. He also shared statistics on the tons that have increased between 2008 and 2009. In 2008, 1,200 tons of cardboard and 800 tons of paper were recycled. In 2009, 1,700 tons of cardboard and 1,300 tons of paper were recycled. There was also an increase in plastic recycling with 174 tons of plastic being recycled in 2009.
- G. Keep Texas Beautiful**—Donna Albus reported that the KTB volunteer of the month was Nelda Laney and encouraged the board to read the website about her accomplishments. Donna also mentioned that the GCAA application was on the KTB website as well.
- H. KAB tumblers**—MaryAnn told Malcolm that she needed to get a check to pay the vendor for the tumblers.
- I. Greenfest 2010**—MaryAnn told the Greenfest committee members that she would be calling a special meeting with them in late January to go over the budget and plans for Greenfest, which is scheduled for May 15, 2010. Stephanie Kraly mentioned that day was also Armed Forces day, so MaryAnn hoped that we could partner with some other organizations and have a great turnout.
- J. Special presentation**—Martin Jensen and Lydia Long from The Park People, a local non-profit organization that is working with the City of Abilene to put in two dog parks at Nelson Park provided a special presentation to the Board. Martin presented their budget, their plans for fundraising, along with maps of the proposed park and everything affiliated with it. They have to raise half their budget before the City will begin work on the park. He would like support from Keep Abilene Beautiful with perhaps a donation to fund the landscaping. This topic will be put on the agenda and become an action item once they are closer to raising their budget dollars

**Item VI:** Next Meeting –Wednesday, February 3, 2010; Location- AISD Administration building

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