

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL
BOARD MEETING
March 3, 2010
One AISD Administration Building**

OFFICERS PRESENT

MaryAnn Martin
Martin Garcia
Dede Morris

Officers Absent

Malcolm Bramlett

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Tara Castille
Doug Hodel
Alice Bull
Wade Grissom
Joann Szech
Stephanie Kraly
Carolyn Cockerell

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Janet Smith

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT

Theresa James, City Attorney's Office
Leonard Neith, Environmental Recycling Ctr.
Jim Winward, Public Works
Alexis Rolfe, KAB/ Stormwater Education Coordinator

COMMUNITY PARTNERS PRESENT

Donna Albus, KTB
Ray Grothaus, Allied Waste
Mary Beth Kilgore, TXDOT
Ledessa White, AISD
Davey Daniel, Public Services

COMMUNITY PARTNERS/ADVISORY MEMBERS ABSENT

Jon James, Planning & Development Services
Larry Gilley, City Manager
Wendy Patterson, WCTCOG
Melissa Strudivant, Taylor Co. Extension Office
Brent McClellan, Stormwater Services
Megan Santee, Public Works
Bob Cheatum, Parks

GUESTS PRESENT:

Richard Bull
Jennifer Brawley, AISD

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

Item II: **Approval of Minutes.** *Stephanie Kraly made the motion to approve the February minutes; no discussion from Board members, Tara Castille seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

Item III: **Treasurer's Report.** Malcolm Bralmett, Treasurer, was absent from the meeting but provided a Treasurer's Report as of 02/26/10 to MaryAnn Martin, report is as follows for February 2010 activity:

General Operating Account	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
Balance		
\$27,8421.38	\$626.72	\$210.00
More Green in Abilene	Checks Written/Cost	Deposits
Balance		
\$1100.00	\$2050.00	\$0

Approval of Treasurer's Report: *Doug Hodel made the motion to accept the treasurer's report, Martin Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

Item IV: **Action Items**

A. **Crepe Myrtle sale-** Leonard Neith reported that he had spoke with Greenbelt Garden Center about hosting the annual crepe myrtle sale. They have quoted 3 gallon bucket size would be \$10.00. More discussion followed related to where we would have the sale and when. Tara Castille made the motion to have the sale in October in conjunction with Fall Clean on October 7-9th. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Leonard will follow up with Greenbelt Garden to let them know of the date and get a firm bid for the plants.

Item V: **Non-Action Items**

- A. **Coordinator's Report**— Alexis Rolfe from Storm water Services reported that as of March 1, 2010 she was the official Keep Abilene Beautiful Coordinator. She will have to continue supporting her other inspection duties until she can get her replacement trained. She has had the city phones for KAB forwarded to her extension and has also been going through the KAB office and organizing supplies, etc. She said she is also making flyers for the different KAB events. Alexis also indicated that she was reviewing the Adopt a Spot program and would be contacting all participants to make sure they are still active. She also said the Adopt a Spot signs were ready for distribution. She reported too that she would reserve a block of rooms for all the Board Members that are interested in attending the Keep Texas Beautiful conference in Austin the week of June 21-24. Alexis also reported that the Fall clean dates are incorrect on the web-site and it needed to be corrected.
- B. **Report from Adopt-A-Highway**—Mary Beth Kilgore reported that the Taylor County Adopt a Highway program is not doing well. She hopes to have advertising for the Texas trash off.
- C. **Report from Extension Office**—No report
- D. **Report from WCTCOG**—no report
- E. **Report from AISD**—Ledessa White asked Leonard about Project Re-directory. Leonard indicated that he has not heard from Southwestern Bell or AT&T. Alexis will contact them to get details.
- F. **Report from Solid Waste Services**—Leonard Neith reported that they did a presentation for Cisco Junior College at the Recycling center and it went very well. The students appeared to be quite interested in the operation. Stephanie Kraly asked Leonard about putting up recycling bins at the

Dyess AFB Air fest on May 1, 2010. Leonard agreed they would as they do it every year. It is a great way to promote recycling and KAB.

- G. Keep Texas Beautiful**—Donna Albus mentioned that Alexis Rolfe, the new KAB Coordinator, should attend the GCAA judging as an educational opportunity at the end of March. Alexis and MaryAnn will check with the City of Abilene for funding for her travel or her travel could be picked up by KAB.
- H. Greenfest 2010**—MaryAnn reported that her and Alexis would meet together to finalize the plans for Greenfest 2010.
- I. Green bag campaign**-MaryAnn reported that the campaign was finished. There were four sponsors willing to come back. She will order 2,500 bags. KAB will be responsible for \$900.00 of the bill for the bags. We can then sell the bags or use as giveaways. She also reported that she has ordered 50 PePe Renu Skunks.

Item VI. Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m. Next meeting will Wednesday April 7, 2010 at noon at Amanda’s Restaurant in the back room to the left.