

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
April 7, 2010  
Amanda's Restaurant**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

MaryAnn Martin  
Malcolm Bramlett  
Martin Garcia  
Dede Morris

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tara Castille  
Alice Bull  
Stephanie Kraly  
Carolyn Cockerell

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Janet Smith  
Doug Hodel  
Wade Grissom  
Joann Szech

**ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Theresa James, City Attorney's Office  
Jon James, Planning & Development  
Leonard Neith, Environmental Recycling Ctr.  
James Winward, Public Works  
Alexis Rolfe, KAB Coordinator  
Brent McClellan, Stormwater Services

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS PRESENT**

Mary Beth Kilgore, TXDOT  
Davey Daniel, Public Services

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS/ADVISORY MEMBERS ABSENT**

Larry Gilley, City Manager  
Megan Santee, Public Works  
Wendy Patterson, WCTCOG  
Ledessa White, AISD  
Melissa Strudivant, Taylor Co. Extension Office  
Donna Albus, KTB  
Ray Grothaus, Allied Waste

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Richard Bull  
Jennifer Brawley, AISD  
Shelly Garcia-Martin's daughter from New York  
Amie Brown-Courtyard Marriott

**Item I:**        **Call to Order.** MaryAnn Martin called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

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

**Item III:**       **Treasurer's Report.** Malcolm Bralmett, Treasurer, provided a Treasurer's Report as of 02/26/10 to MaryAnn Martin, report is as follows for March 2010 activity:

<b>General Operating Account</b>	<b>Checks Written/Cost</b>	<b>Deposits</b>
<b>Balance</b>		
\$27,421.38	\$626.72	\$210.00
<b>More Green in Abilene</b>	<b>Checks Written/Cost</b>	<b>Deposits</b>
<b>Balance</b>		
\$1100.00	\$2050.00	\$0

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:** *Stephanie Kraly made the motion to accept the treasurer's report, Tara Castille seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item IV: Action Items**

**A. Reimbursement for KAB Coordinator Travel-** MaryAnn Martin brought up discussion for the Board to discuss reimbursement for Alexis Rolfe's, the KAB Coordinator, travel expenses to participate in the Keep Texas Beautiful GCAA judging. Alexis reported that it was a wonderful learning opportunity for her and she made many contacts and is now more educated on the GCAA process. Stephanie Kraly made a motion to approve the reimbursement for her travel to the GCAA judging and Martin Garcia seconded. No further discussion on the topic and the motion carried unanimously.

**Item V: Non-Action Items**

**A. Coordinator's Report—** Alexis Rolfe, KAB Coordinator, reported on numerous activities since her inception to the Coordinator position. She reported that Abilene won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the GCAA judging and that since attending the judging she felt better prepared for next year. She felt like we had a great chance of winning first place next year. She also reported for Project Re-directory that all participating schools would win a tree to plant or a pizza party. She has \$300.00 budgeted and knows that she currently has 12 schools participating and is waiting to hear back from 2 more, Lee and Ortiz. Alexis alerted Board Members that Madison Middle School was the winner of \$2000.00 award for Project Recycle. It will be awarded to them on April 20, 2010 from 1-2pm. She encouraged all that could to attend. She also has 2 applicants for the Janet Parkey award, Regan Elementary and Craig Middle School. Alexis passed out the sign in sheets for several events during April and May, including Trash-off, Spring Clean, and the Dyess Airfest. Board members were encouraged to sign up for at least one event and more if possible, as all of our participation would show support for our community activities. She also reminded us that the City of Abilene is now accepting applications for the vacant board seat. She wanted us to also push the participation of the KTB Youth awards, which are due by May 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Alexis is also working to get up the Adopt a Spot signs ASAP; she reported that we have 2 new groups that have signed up and she has already gotten their signs up. She hopes by advertising the program that we will have more groups volunteer to adopt. She also verified who was attending the KTB conference in Austin and gave info on hotels and travel. The final item she reported on was that we had received a CLPP grant of \$500.00 for extending Smokers Cease Fire receptacles. There was discussion on where the receptacles were

already located downtown. MaryAnn will find out where the existing ones are and we can decide at a future meeting where to put the new ones.

- B. Report from Adopt-A-Highway**—Mary Beth Kilgore reported that for the Trash Off on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> she has only had 33 of her 60 groups around Abilene that have contacted her about participating. She was concerned about the lack of participation in spite of the extensive advertisement that had been done.
- C. Report from Extension Office**—No report
- D. Report from WCTCOG**—no report
- E. Report from AISD**—Leonard Neith reported that Project Re-directory had ended on 04/02/10 and that Bowie Elementary had collected the most with 14 tons of directories recycled. The winning class at Bowie will be awarded with a pizza party or a tree to plant on campus. RWL Recycles will produce the funds for this. MaryAnn also presented Leonard Neith with an award for all of his tireless effort in assisting AISD with their recycling activities. Leonard has been an instrumental factor in Abilene's success with recycling. Great job Leonard! It was also reported that AISD would be doing school supply recycling in May.
- F. Report from Solid Waste Services**—Jim Winward had no formal report but did say if anyone needed any specific data; please request it prior to the next meeting.
- G. Keep Texas Beautiful**—No report.
- H. Greenfest 2010**—MaryAnn reported that an article about Greenfest had been written and sent to the Abilene Reporter News. Greenfest will be on 05/15/10 from 9am-3pm. MaryAnn said it would also be reported in flyers sent to companies.

**Item VI.** Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. Next meeting will Wednesday May 5, 2010 at noon at Amanda's Restaurant.