

**KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL  
BOARD MEETING  
June 2, 2010  
Sam's Club**

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

MaryAnn Martin  
Malcolm Bramlett  
Martin Garcia  
Dede Morris

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Joann Sczech

**ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Theresa James, City Attorney's Office  
Jon James, Planning & Development Services  
Jim Winward, Public Works  
Alexis Rolfe, KAB Coordinator

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS PRESENT**

Wendy Patterson, WCTCOG  
Donna Albus, KTB

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS/ADVISORY MEMBERS ABSENT**

Larry Gilley, City Manager  
Melissa Strudivant, Taylor Co. Extension Office  
Ray Grothaus, Allied Waste  
Mary Beth Kilgore, TXDOT  
Brent McClellan, Storm water Services  
Megan Santee, Public Works

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Richard Bull  
Leonard Neith

**Item I: Call to Order.** Martin Garcia, President Elect, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. MaryAnn Martin, President, arrived at 12:15 pm and continued the meeting.

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

**Item III: Treasurer’s Report.** Malcolm Bramlett, Treasurer, provided a Treasurer’s Report as of 06/02/10 to MaryAnn Martin, report is as follows for May 2010 activity:

| <b>General Operating Account</b> | <b>Checks Written/Cost</b> | <b>Deposits</b> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Balance</b>                   |                            |                 |
| \$24,937.97                      | \$3443.12                  | \$2864.38       |
| <b>More Green in Abilene</b>     | <b>Checks Written/Cost</b> | <b>Deposits</b> |
| <b>Balance</b>                   |                            |                 |
| \$1100.00                        | \$0                        | \$0             |

**Approval of Treasurer’s Report:** *Doug Hodel made the motion to accept the treasurer’s report; Alice Bull seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**Item IV: Action Items**

**A. Possible Donation of Funds for Tree Purchase by Dog Park People:** MaryAnn Martin brought up discussion for the Board to discuss a possible donation of funds to the Dog Park for purchase of trees. Lydia Long, Coordinator for the project, submitted a proposal with the entire plan for the Dog Park. There was a lot of discussion by the Board about this purchase. One concern was the upkeep of the trees. Carolyn Cockerell, Board Member, mentioned that in her discussion with Lydia that she had clarified that the City of Abilene would take ownership of the upkeep of the trees once they are planted. Malcolm Bramlett mentioned his concerns that citizens of Abilene that own dogs would be the only ones using the Dog Park. Other Board Members brought up that we had donated items to other City projects, like Safety City, that only benefited certain citizens of Abilene. After further discussion, *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to table the discussion until the Dog Park Project was closer to implementation. Martin Garcia seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**B. Complete the funding of the More Green in Abilene campaign:** MaryAnn Martin brought up that we owed \$950.00 on this campaign. *Malcolm Bramlett made a motion to make the expenditure out of the KAB budget to pay this project off. Stephanie Kraly seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.*

**Item V: Non-Action Items**

**A. Coordinator’s Report—** Alexis Rolfe, KAB Coordinator, reported that she had made reservations for 7 Board Members to attend the Keep Texas Beautiful. She reminded the attendees to let her know if you were unable to attend, she still has a few days to cancel the reservations. She also reported that she was still checking on pricing for the Adopt a Spot signs and would have more information at the next meeting. It had been decided that KAB would have to pay the City for the signs. Dede Morris, Board Member, reported that since her Adopt a Spot sign had gone up in her neighborhood that the litter problem had decreased tremendously. Alexis also reported that Reagan Elementary had won the Janet Parkey Award and she will present the award in September when school is back in session. She also gave Malcolm Bramlett, Treasurer, a check from RWL for \$613.00 for aluminum can recycling.

- B. Report from Adopt-A-Highway**—No report
- C. Report from Extension Office**—No report
- D. Report from WCTCOG**—Wendy Patterson reported that the municipal grants are due 06/11/10. Alexis is checking to see if we have time to submit an application. Wendy volunteered to assist and get the paperwork sent in to meet the deadline.
- E. Report from AISD**—MaryAnn Martin reported that Ledessa White is no longer our contact for AISD. She will check with the new Superintendent for a contact name. MaryAnn also expressed the success of the school supply drive and encouraged the City not to charge schools for recycling. Jim Winward reported that he felt like there would be no change to that policy. MaryAnn also reported that the left over crepe myrtles would be donated to local schools that participate in recycling.
- F. Report from Solid Waste Services**—Jim Winward reported that there was no formal replacement for Leonard Neith but David Jorgensen was filling the role. There was discussion about the dumping of trash and other items at the recycling spots. Jim and his Team are working diligently to keep those areas clean. MaryAnn asked for volunteers from the Board to assist with cleaning up the Buffalo Gap recycling site. The Board will meet there on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 6:00 pm to conduct a clean up. MaryAnn also expressed to Jim that we hoped there would be no disruption in the partnership that we have with the ERC since Leonard is not there. Jim stressed that the relationship would continue.
- G. Keep Texas Beautiful**—Donna Albus reported that she was excited about the number of Board members from KAB that were attending the KTB conference and knows that each Board member will get a lot out of the experience. Donna also reported that she talked to Larry Gilley, City Manager, to discuss her concern with Leonard not being with the ERC anymore. She said he assured her that there would be no changes with our partnership.
- H. Business After Hours**--MaryAnn reported that she had booked a Business After Hours event for KAB to host in October 2012. This is how far ahead they are booked on the calendar.
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**Item VI.** Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. Next meeting will be Wednesday July 7, 2010 at Amanda’s Restaurant in the “Z” room.