

**MINUTES OF THE
KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL BOARD
May 15, 2013
Abilene City Hall – Basement Conference Room**

OFFICERS PRESENT

Ray Grothaus, President
Corey Ruff, President - Elect
E’Lisa Smetana, Secretary

OFFICERS ABSENT

David Harwell, Treasurer

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Doug Hodel
John Weir

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Martin Garcia
Eric Mallet
Charles Mitchell
Stephanie Kraly

KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL STAFF

Nicole Eaves, KAB Coordinator

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT

None

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

None

GUESTS PRESENT

None

Item I: **Call to Order.** Ray Grothaus, President, called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Ms. Smetana checked roll call for each member. A quorum was established.

Item II: **Discussion and Possible Approval of School Awards.** Mr. Grothaus discussed the KAB award submittals that were received for the Janet Parkey Memorial Environmental School Award and the Project Recycle Award. Discussion was held on the Janet Parkey applications received from Mann Middle School and Abilene High School. Mann Middle School wants to plant more flowers, trees, and shrubs as well as further landscaping efforts around their school. Abilene High School wants to buy garden boxes that would allow students to select and plant their own vegetables or flowers.

A motion was made by Ms. Smetana to award \$500 to Mann Middle School for the Janet Parkey Memorial Environmental School Award and seconded by Mr. Weir. A stipulation was added that they provide before and after pictures of their project along with the idea that it might be

better to wait till next year to plant if the landscaping is not automatically watered during the summer months.

Through roll call, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on the Project Recycle Award application received from Abilene High School. Abilene High School wants to purchase a large cross-cut confetti shredder to further their recycling program at the school. A motion was made by Ms. Smetana and seconded by Mr. Hodel to award \$500 to Abilene High School for the purchase of a cross-cut confetti shredder.

Through roll call, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Grothaus suggested that we get progress reports from the winners that show what the money was used for and how it improved the schools.

Item III: Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m. The next meeting will be held on June 5, 2013 at 12 noon in the Abilene City Hall in the Basement Conference Room.

E'Lisa Smetana, Secretary

Ray Grothaus, President