

**MINUTES OF THE
KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL BOARD
February 5, 2014
Abilene City Hall – Basement Conference Room**

OFFICERS PRESENT

David Harwell, Treasurer
E’Lisa Smetana, Secretary

OFFICERS ABSENT

Corey Ruff, President
Ray Grothaus, President - Elect

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Shane Johnson
Scott Kilmer
Elyse Lewis
Eric Mallet

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Stephanie Kraly
Charles Mitchell
John Weir

KEEP ABILENE BEAUTIFUL STAFF

Nicole Eaves, KAB Coordinator

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT

Theresa James, Legal Liaison – City Attorney’s Office

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Darah Waldrip, Public Information Officer - TxDOT

GUESTS PRESENT

None

Item I: **Call to Order.** Ms. Smetana, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Ms. Smetana checked roll call for each member. A quorum of Board members was present.

- Item II:** **Consent Agenda.**
- 1. Approval of Minutes – Approval of minutes from December 4, 2013 regular meeting.**
 - 2. Approval of Treasurer’s Reports from December 2013 and January 2014.**

Updated Financial Reports provided by Mr. Harwell were included in the packets for December 2013 and January 2014. A summary of those are listed below.

Current Bank Account Balance (as of December 1, 2013)	\$30,998.10
Deposits *outstanding	Interest Dec .52, Republic Services \$691.63, Interest Jan .58, Republic Services \$691.63, Bridgestone \$750.00
Expenditures/Checks Written * checks outstanding	Ck. #2268 \$100, Ck.#2265 \$490, Ck.#2266 \$57, Ck.#2264 \$250, *Ck.# 2267 \$15.00
Current Bank Account Balance (as of Month End)	\$32,235.46
Current Bank Account Balance (w/Outstandings ***as of Month End)	\$32,220.46

A motion was made by Ms. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Harwell to approve the consent agenda. Through roll call, motion carried unanimously.

Item III: Action Items:

- A. Discussion and Possible Approval of Project Re-Directory – Project and Award Funds** – Ms. Eaves discussed last year’s Project Re-Directory which is the phone book recycling program. She stated that six out of fifteen AISD elementary campuses participated and they were awarded \$25 each. Ms. Eaves asked the Board if they would like to conduct this project again this year. Further discussion was held including using trees as the prize as was done in previous years, using posters to advertise this program as KAB, and how the program should function. Ms. Eaves discussed that TXU Energy would like to give back to the Abilene community and has a tree program that we would be able to use for this project. The requirements are that a hole has to be dug and the tree placed in an irrigated/watered area.

Mr. Harwell made a motion to approve the Project Re-Directory project, to set award funds up to \$250 which includes signage above the recycling bins, and to work on securing an additional \$250 dollars thru donations. This was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Through roll call, motion carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion and Possible Approval of 5K Fundraiser – Event Discussion** - Mr. Johnson stated that Fat Boss’s Pub is interested in partnering with KAB on conducting a 5K event. Ms. James stated that the application fee for a street use fee has been changed and has become expensive due to barricades and police presence needed. Further discussion was held on partnering with a pub and the comfort level of the Board members with this idea.

Mr. Mallet made a motion to table the item for six months and it was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Harwell voted no on the item. Motion died for lack of quorum.

Item IV: Non-Action Items:

- A. Governor's Community Achievement Award – (GCAA)** – Ms. Eaves stated that the application has been submitted. The winners will be notified by March 4th and everyone will receive their score by the end of April.
- B. Committee Reports** – Ms. Eaves asked about the Communication Committee's and the Trash-Off Committee's next meetings. The Communication Committee set February 12th at 1:00 p.m. and the Trash-Off Committee set February 14th at 1:00 p.m. for their next meetings.
- C. Coordinator's Report** – Ms. Eaves talked more about the TXU Energy tree program. Also, she stated that there are two open board spots that need to be filled.
- D. Community Partners Reports** – Ms. Waldrip discussed the Trash-Off and that TxDOT would be happy to help KAB again this year.

Item V: Adjournment – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held on March 5, 2014 at 12 noon in the Abilene City Hall in the Basement Conference Room.

E'Lisa Smetana, Secretary

Corey Ruff, President