



MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Ann Stevenson called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

KGPB Commission Members Present

Brandi Bastas Veronica Crawford Gregory Hamilton Aaron King
Chelsea Pavey Ann Stevenson

KGPB Commission Members Absent

Stephanie Brown Jessica Everitt Darren Ferrar

City Staff Present

Amanda Maron – KGPB Coordinator
Rose Chavez – Solid Waste and Recycling Manager
Derald Smith – KGPB Crew Leader

Guests

Sharon Dehnert Allen R Dehnert Marcela Gonzalez

AGENDA ITEMS

Review of Minutes from March 8, 2022 KGPB Commission Meeting – Aaron King made a motion to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes as written. Chelsea Pavey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Introduce New Commissioners and Recognize Out-Going Commissioners – The Commissioners welcomed Gregory Hamilton to the Commission. Amanda Maron shared that Darrer Ferrar and Chelsea Pavey were reappointed to the Commission. She then recognized Marcela Gonzalez, retiring Commission member, with a certificate of appreciation for her six years of service to the Commission and her continuing support of the Adopt-a-Cemetery program.

Accept Nominations and Vote for Chairperson and Co-Chairperson – Ann Stevenson requested nominations for Chairperson. Aaron King nominated Chelsea Pavey, who accepted, and was elected unanimously. Chelsea Pavey requested nominations for Co-Chairperson. Aaron King nominated Brandi Bastas, who accepted, and was elected unanimously.

Fundraising Results and Fundraising Options for the KGPB Scholarship – Amanda Maron shared that the silent auction at the KGPB Award Ceremony in March 2022 grossed \$760. She shared that t-shirt sales, through the Big Foot Ink online store, have brought in \$140 with the sale of fourteen t-shirts.

Amanda Maron asked the Commission to discuss fundraising ideas. The Commission agreed that a silent auction should be held at the KGPB Award Ceremony in April 2023. The Commission also requested that a kitten yoga fundraising event be held in partnership with Prairie Paws Adoption Center.

KGPB Award Ceremony Planning Committee Development – Amanda Maron requested the assistance of the Commission to create a KGPB Award Ceremony Planning Committee (APC) and a Silent Auction Fundraising Committee (SAFC). Gregory Hamilton, Chelsea Pavey, and Ann Stevenson volunteered for the APC. Brandi Bastas volunteered for the SAFC. Amanda Maron will contact the absent Commission members to provide them the opportunity to join one of the committees.

Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting – Amanda Maron shared a PowerPoint featuring the Commission financial updates, several volunteer events, and several educational events.

The Commission has \$5,852.49 available in the trust fund.

The Governor’s Community Achievement Award scored 99.5/100 and received the Continued Excellence Award for earning a score of 90 or greater for at least three years in a row.

The Adopt-a-Stream program hosted 7 cleanup events which included 115 volunteers removing 1,950 pounds of litter from streams and parks in Grand Prairie.

The International Leadership of Texas K8 Grand Prairie campus held a ribbon cutting ceremony for their outdoor classroom. The outdoor classroom was built in cooperation with KGPB, H-E-B/Central Market, and Keep Texas Beautiful with the \$3,000 Green Bag Grant. The ceremony can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/8hFQc5dNQo0>

Cummins Sales and Service employees held a day of service to assist with the removal of an entire roll-off dumpster of illegally dumped tires and 540 pounds of additional litter from a green belt on the peninsula.

The KGPB Coordinator was a speaker at two conferences over the summer. Amanda Maron was invited to speak about the Green and Clean Campus Program at the Keep Texas Beautiful Annual Conference in June and the ILT Outdoor Classroom build at the Tarrant Area Food Bank Growing Healthy Communities Conference in July.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities and Classes – Amanda Maron shared a copy of the upcoming events list. She asked Commissioners to volunteer for Outreach Booth opportunities to recruit new volunteers and advertise for events. She reviewed a handful of the upcoming Adopt-a-Stream events and classes while providing an open invitation for the commissioners to attend any of the listed events.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

Citizens may speak during Citizen Comments for up to five minutes on any item not on the agenda by completing and submitting a speaker card.

ADJOURNMENT

Chelsea Pavey adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

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In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C of the Government Code, V.T.C.A, the Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Commission agenda was prepared and posted September 8, 2022.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Maron". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Amanda Maron