

KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

CITY HALL EAST – CONFERENCE ROOM C, 300 W. MAIN STREET TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 AT 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Aaron King called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

KGPB Commission Members Present

Stephanie Brown Veronica Crawford Jessica Everitt
Darren Ferrar Aaron King Ann Stevenson

KGPB Commission Members Absent

Brandi Bastas Gregory Hamilton Chelsea Pavey

City Staff Present

Amanda Maron – KGPB Coordinator Rose Chavez – Solid Waste and Recycling Manager

Guests

Sharon Dehnert Al Hernandez Ruth Massoth

AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Review of Minutes from September 13, 2022 KGPB Commission Meeting</u> – Ann Stevenson made a motion to approve the September 13, 2022 minutes as written. Jessica Everitt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

<u>Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge Ideas</u> – Amanda Maron shared that the 5th annual Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge was to be held on Saturday, January 28th with a March rain date.

<u>KGPB Award Ceremony Updates</u> – Amanda Maron shared that the 2nd annual KGPB Award Ceremony would take place on Thursday, April 27th. To increase applications for the Green and Clean Campus Program awards, it was suggested that the award applications be pushed through the city's social media accounts. The commissioners decided that they would like to award one Gardener of the Year from the entire gardening program.

<u>Fundraising Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship</u> – Amanda Maron shared that there were no t-shirt sales during since the last meeting.

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

The Commission has \$5,102.49 available in the trust fund.

The Adopt-a-Street Program had seven new groups join since the last meeting. They were recognized on Facebook.

The first annual Clean Prairie Fall Sweep was help on September 24th. There was participation from 98 volunteers who collected 1,480 pounds of litter and bulky debris.

The KGPB Coordinator continued hosting monthly gardening classes at the Betty Warmack Library. Average participation is 20 to 30+ per class.

The first annual KGPB Seed Swap occurred on Saturday, December 3rd. Participants buzzed happily about while bringing in seeds that they had saved and taking home some new seeds brought in by other gardeners.

<u>Upcoming Events List</u> – 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.

Darren Ferrar made a motion to change the date for the March meeting from March 14th to March 7th. Jessica Everett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Aaron King adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.