



**KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION**  
**CITY HALL EAST – CONFERENCE ROOM C, 300 W. MAIN STREET**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

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**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chelsea Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**KGPB Commission Members Present**

Brandi Bastas	Stephanie Brown	Veronica Crawford	Darren Ferrar
Gregory Hamilton	Aaron King	Chelsea Pavey	

**KGPB Commission Members Absent**

Jessica Everitt	Ann Stevenson
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**City Staff Present**

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

**Guests**

None

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**Review of Minutes from December 13, 2022 KGPB Commission Meeting** – Aaron King made a motion to approve the December 13, 2022 minutes as written. Darren Ferrar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**KGPB Award Ceremony Updates** – Amanda Maron reminded the Commission that the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual KGPB Award Ceremony would take place on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. She shared that the applications for the Green and Clean Awards, Scholarship, and Gardener of the Year were all open and scheduled to be shared on the city’s social media pages. Doors are planned to open at 6:30 p.m. with the ceremony beginning about 7 p.m. There will be a cash bar, refreshments, and a silent auction. Amanda asked for assistance with set-up, ceremony, and tear down. Several commissioners volunteered to assist with the evening.

**Fundraising Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship** – Brandi Bastas shared that she had contacted dozens of businesses for silent auction donations to benefit the scholarship. She has received many of the products already and continues to expect more. Amanda Maron shared that there were no t-shirt sales during since the last meeting. She also shared that Big Foot Ink, the host of the online store, had some ideas for new products and so would be adding them to the website. Amanda Maron reached out to Kenda, yoga instructor, and Prairie Paws to schedule Kitten Yoga Fundraiser for May 4<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be \$20 and benefit the scholarship.

**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 \$5,102.49 available in the trust fund.

Since the Community Garden Seed Swap went so well, the Solid Waste Department hosted one for City Staff. The event was very well attended.

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

Installation of the 2020 Governor’s Community Achievement Award from TXDoT and Keep Texas Beautiful began recently at the I30, Belt Line intersection. This project was awarded to Grand Prairie due to scoring first place with the GCAA application and earning a \$310,000 landscape project on a TXDoT right-of-way.

Yuengling Beer Company recently partnered with Keep Texas Beautiful to promote a litter-free Texas. The announcement of their partnership included a \$50,000 donation to KTB and a day of service at Loyd Park. Yuengling staff, their distributor partner, and community members totaled 117 volunteers who removed 1,100 pounds of litter.

**Upcoming Events List** – 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.

Amanda Maron specifically asked Commissioners to volunteer for the GP Litter Team at Main Street Fest on April 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chelsea Pavey adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.