



**KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION**  
**HABANEROS, 123 E JEFFERSON ST**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

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**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

- [1.](#) Review Minutes from March 7, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting
- [2.](#) Fundraising Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship
- [3.](#) Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting
- [4.](#) Upcoming Events List

**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**

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*Certification*

*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 June 09, 2023.*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Maron".

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*Amanda Maron*



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE  
COMMUNICATION**

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**MEETING DATE:** 06/13/2023  
**REQUESTER:** Amanda Maron  
**PRESENTER:** Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator  
**TITLE:** Review Minutes from March 7, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve

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**ANALYSIS:**

Commissioners will review the minutes from the March 7, 2023 meeting and then approve them.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

None



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

## 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.



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**MEETING DATE:** 06/13/2023  
**REQUESTER:** Amanda Maron  
**PRESENTER:** Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator  
**TITLE:** Fundraising Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** None

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**ANALYSIS:**

KGPB Coordinator will share updates from fundraising activities including the Silent Auction.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

None



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**MEETING DATE:** 06/13/2023  
**REQUESTER:** Amanda Maron  
**PRESENTER:** Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator  
**TITLE:** Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** None

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**ANALYSIS:**

KGPB Coordinator will share a summary of events that have occurred since the March 7, 2023 meeting.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

None

# Coordinator's Report

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

# Recent Happenings

- Commission Accounts

Name	Dept	Lawson Unit	Fund	9/30/22 Balance	Rev	Exp	04/30/23 Balance
KGPB Commissions	11	330293	3302	1,814.40	-	-	1,814.40
KGPB Youth Scholarship Fund	11	330493	3304	5,102.49	11,150.00	-	6,252.49

- Big Event
- Gardening Classes and Open House
- One Tree Planted Volunteer Group
- Walnut Creek Paddling Trail Cleanup
- Mayor's Cleanup Challenge





## City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

March 7 · 🌐



Grand Prairie is participating in the 2023 North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge, a friendly competition among North Texas communities to see who can pick up the most litter per resident. The City of Grand Prairie won the challenge in 2022, taking the “trash can trophy” that was held by Fort Worth.

Join Mayor [Ron Jensen](#) in our challenge to collect the most litter and keep the trash can trophy in Grand Prairie!

Participate ➡ [www.gptx.org/mayorschallenge](http://www.gptx.org/mayorschallenge)





Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful is recognizing student leaders, educators, and campuses for their efforts in litter prevention, recycling, and/or utilization of the outdoor classroom.

Applications are available online and are due by 5 p.m. on March 23 📄

<http://ow.ly/GWEo50Nkch0>

**Keep  
Grand Prairie  
Beautiful** 



### SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY 🎓

The Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Commission is offering a \$750 scholarship to a graduating high school senior who has shown commitment to keeping their community clean and beautiful.

Applicants must have volunteered with KGPB at least three times to be eligible. Applications are due March 23 ➡ <http://ow.ly/Onzj50Mpkrl...> See more

# \$750

## SCHOLARSHIP

**Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful**

KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE





Getting involved with Clean Prairie goes beyond just tidying up your yard. Clean Prairie offers a variety of volunteer opportunities! See something you would like to get involved in? Visit <https://www.gptx.org/.../Green-Grand-Prairie/Clean-Prairie> for more information. #CleanPrairie

# Volunteer Opportunities

DISCOVER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED WITH CLEAN PRAIRIE

- Adopt-a-Stream
- Adopt-a-Street
- Electronics Recycling
- Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine
- Grand Prairie Litter Team
- Household Hazardous Waste Disposal
- Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful
- Shred it
- Trash Off





The 2023 #GPBigEvent featured 1600 volunteers who were able to fulfill over 100 job requests throughout our beautiful city!



YOUTUBE.COM

### City of Grand Prairie: The Big Event 2023

For more GPTV Programs, visit [gptxtv.org](http://gptxtv.org) or [youtube.com/cityofgptx](https://youtube.com/cityofgptx).



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The numbers are in!

During the Big Event March 25, 2023, 1,600 volunteers took on 100 service projects all around town, collecting more than 40 TON OF DEBRIS, creating a cleaner Prairie.

A big thanks to all who made the Big Event possible and successful! 🙌





Get a head start with your Earth Day celebrations by joining us on Saturday, April 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kirby Creek Nature Center. This event will be the perfect place to spend time with your family, learning about the wonders of our environment and participating in fun crafts.

[#GetFitGP](#)

**EARTH DAY**

**CELEBRATION**

FREE TREE GIVEAWAY,  
ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS,  
EDUCATION, CRAFTS,  
AND MORE!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15**

**10 A.M. - 2 P.M.**

**KIRBY CREEK NATURE CENTER**  
**3303 CORN VALLEY RD.**

**FREE EVENT**

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY BY IMPROVING AIR QUALITY!



Join Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful for the Community Garden Open House and Plant Swap on Saturday, April 29.

Grand Prairie Community Gardeners will be available from 9 a.m. to noon at each of 8 gardens to provide a tour and to answer your questions about the garden program.

The Plant Swap, with hot dog lunch and raffle, will take place at the Haven Community Garden, 1513 S Belt Line, from noon to 2 p.m.... See more



Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful  
Community Garden Program

[gptx.org/kgpb](http://gptx.org/kgpb) • 972-237-8152





Congratulations are in order for KGPB!

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful won the 2023 Beautify Texas Outstanding Program Award for The Big Event. The Outstanding Program award recognizes contributions by civic organizations and city, county, and state government departments, divisions, or agencies that support the [Keep Texas Beautiful](#) mission through a distinct and continual program.

Learn more about this award ➡ <https://www.gptx.org/.../2023-Beautify-Texas-Outstanding...>

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**BEAUTIFY TEXAS AWARDS - ORGANIZATIONAL 2023 WINNERS**



EBBY HALLIDAY & MAURICE ACERS  
BUSINESS/INDUSTRY

**McRee Ford**

OUTSTANDING PROGRAM

**The City of  
Grand Prairie**

OUTSTANDING PROJECT

**Connemara Meadow  
Nature Preserve**





# City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

May 2 at 4:29 PM · 🌐



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View the May edition of Mayor [Ron Jensen's](https://youtu.be/4Dag1txau-l) monthly message ➡ <https://youtu.be/4Dag1txau-l>

Watch until the end to see some special guest appearances!





City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

May 22 at 5:00 PM · 🌐

Item 3.

Help us keep our city clean and free of litter.

Grand Prairie residents may report illegal dumping or excessive litter at public spaces by calling our Litter-Free Hot Line, 972-237-4550.

**DON'T MESS WITH**  
GRAND PRAIRIE  
**TEXAS**



# One Tree Planted with LKQ





Walnut Creek Paddling Trail Cleanup

# Award Ceremony

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## Community Garden Produce Donation Awards

CrossPoint Community Garden  
Kirby Creek Compost Demonstration Garden  
Summit Conservatory and Garden

## Community Garden Volunteer of the Year Awards

Angelia Douglas  
Joe and Gracie Peralez  
Lilian Shamuyarira  
Shanelle Clay  
Mark Sandberg  
Maureen Wu  
Mike Hutchins  
Steve Kille

## KGPB Commission Scholarship Award

Aylin Bonilla

## Commissioners' Choice Award

Marcel Ramos

## Green and Clean Campus Program Awards

Elementary Educator of the Year - Jennifer Melton  
Secondary Educator of the Year - Amber Bermudez  
Elementary Campus of the Year - Florence Hill Elementary School  
Secondary Campus of the Year - South Grand Prairie Early College High School

## Adopt-a-Stream Tonnage Awards

Cummins Sales and Service  
Richemont CSR  
Trinity Coalition

## Adopt-a-Street Gold Star Recognition

All Mighty Koop and Mama O  
Castleridge Homeowners Association  
City of Grand Prairie Landfill  
Girl Scout Troop #6885  
Holt/Harvey Family  
Kena, Lucca & Alessandro  
Light of the World Church  
Lindsey Wilhite  
Longhorn Deck  
Nottingham Neighbors Club  
Oletu Family  
Pratt & Whitney Services, Inc.  
Richard Delmark  
SGP ECHS BETA Club  
SGPHS JROTC

## Adopt-a-Street Good Standing Recognition

Arnold Transportation Services  
Barbra Thomas  
Brandon R Tillmon Sr  
Control Products Corporation  
Cub Scout Pack 597  
Curtis, Rhonda and Caleb Crowder  
Donahue / Sylvester Family  
Dr. Rho on the Go  
Epic Waters Indoor Waterpark  
Explore the Prairie  
First Baptist Church Grand Prairie  
Gage Bond Overton  
Girl Scout Troop #1373  
Girl Scout Troop #3559  
GPFAA NJHS  
Grand Prairie Democrats  
Grand Prairie Host Lion's Club  
GP Maverick Rugby Football Club  
Grand Prairie Metro Rotary  
Grand Prairie Unity Coalition  
Hernandez Family  
I-20 Riders  
John Briggs Family  
Journey to Ignite 2025  
LATICRETE International, Inc.  
Le Family  
Lockheed Martin MFC ELDP  
Matthew & Olivia Wolston  
National Hookup of Black Women, Inc. Mid Cities Chapter

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Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.  
PGCS Pepsi  
Phoenix Lodge #237  
Queen Esther Ch. #30 OES  
Red Bee Media  
Robert, VanDella, William & Richard Meniffee & Friends  
Ron & Rebecca Jensen  
S.A.R. Starks #208  
SGP Friends of Rachel  
SGP Interact Club  
SHO Group, L.P.  
Sons of Hiram Lodge 007  
Star Studded Corvette Club  
Street Wise Driving School  
TD Foundation  
Theta Phi Eta Sorority  
Tim Bordelon State Farm Insurance  
Tokunbo & Ayo Fasoro  
Wayne & Kaye Gilbert



## Mayors Cleanup Challenge







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**MEETING DATE:** 06/13/2023  
**REQUESTER:** Amanda Maron  
**PRESENTER:** Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator  
**TITLE:** Upcoming Events List  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** None

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**ANALYSIS:**

KGPB Coordinator will share a list of upcoming events hosted by KGPB and related organizations.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

None

# Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Events

Updated for June 1, 2023

Item 4.

## Gardening Classes and Events, Registration: [jrudd@gptx.org](mailto:jrudd@gptx.org)

- Saturday, August 5**      2 p.m. – 3 p.m.      **Low Water Gardening**, Warmack Library, 760 Bardin R
- Tuesday, August 8**      6 p.m. – 7 p.m.      **Feed the Pollinators:  
A Guide to Establishing a Monarch Waystation**,  
West Irving Library, 4444 W Rochelle Rd, Irving; Register [sdosher@cityofirving.org](mailto:sdosher@cityofirving.org) KGPB Coord is guest speaker

## Volunteer Opportunities

- Saturday, July 8**      8 a.m. – 3 p.m.      **Litter Index Survey**, Registration: <http://bttr.im/i2cc2>  
Assign scores to city streets based on the presence of litter
- Saturday, September 23**      7 a.m. – 3 p.m.      **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clean Prairie Fall Sweep**, Registration: TBA  
Register to participate in city-wide litter cleanup

## Outreach Opportunities, Information: [amaron@gptx.org](mailto:amaron@gptx.org)

- Saturday, August 12**      7 a.m. – 1 p.m.      **Hatch Chili Fest Booth**  
Recruit volunteers and gardeners

## Meetings, Information: [www.gptx.org/boardsandcommissions](http://www.gptx.org/boardsandcommissions)

- Tuesday, September 12**      6:00 p.m.      **KGPB Commission Meeting**, City Hall, 300 W Main St
- Tuesday, December 12**      6:00 p.m.      **KGPB Commission Meeting**, City Hall, 300 W Main St