

KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

CITY HALL EAST - CONFERENCE ROOM C, 300 W MAIN STREET TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Review Minutes from September 12, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting
- 2. Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship
- 3. KGPB Award Ceremony Updates
- 4. Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting
- 5. 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 December 8, 2023.

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MEETING DATE: 12/12/2023

REQUESTER: Amanda Maron

PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator

TITLE: Review Minutes from September 12, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

ANALYSIS:

Commissioners will review the minutes from the September 12, 2023 meeting and then approve them.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:



KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

CITY HALL EAST – CONFERENCE ROOM C, 300 W MAIN STREET TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chelsea Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

KGPB Commission Members Present

Brandi Bastas Stephanie Brown Gregory Hamilton Kevin Jazak

Chelsea Pavey

KGPB Commission Members Absent

Veronica Crawford Darren Ferrar Marcela Gonzales Ann Stevenson

City Staff Present

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

Guests

Aaron King Pablo Luna Maria Luna

AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Introductions of New Commission Members</u> – Brandi Bastas has been reappointed. Marcela Gonzales is a new appointment with prior service on the KGPB Commission, and Kevin Jazak has been newly appointed.

<u>Acknowledgement of Retiring Commission Members</u> – Departing Commission members we recognized. Aaron King served for nine years on the KGPB Commission and Jessica Everitt served for six years on the KGPB Commission.

<u>Voting for New Chairperson and Co-Chairperson</u> – Gregory Hamilton made a motion to retain the current Chairperson and Co-Chairperson. Stephanie Brown seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

<u>Review of Minutes from June 13, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting</u> – Brandi Bastas made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023 minutes as written. Stephanie Brown seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

<u>Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship</u> – The KGPB Scholarship amount has been raised to \$1,000 and the application is currently active. Brandi Bastas made a motion to allow for a second scholarship in the amount of \$750 to be awarded. Stephanie Brown seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Fundraising will take place via silent auction during

the May 2, 2024 KGPB Award Ceremony. Amanda Maron will follow up with the group to create a fundraising committee.

<u>Clean Prairie Fall Sweep Participation and Needs</u> – The Clean Prairie Fall Sweep would be taking place on September 23, 2023 and recruitment for additional volunteer groups is ongoing.

<u>Burbank Gardens Neighborhood "Get Together" and Litter Cleanup Participation and Needs</u> – Several city departments will be hosting a neighborhood "Get Together" for Burbank Gardens with the goal of increasing residents' knowledge of available city services. The Thursday evening event will be followed by a Saturday morning litter cleanup of Bowles Park and the surrounding streets to encourage residents to come together to benefit their community.

<u>2nd Annual Seed Swap Participation and Needs</u> – The Solid Waste Department will be hosting the 2nd Annual Seed Swap at the Warmack Library on December 9, 2023. Ms. Maron has asked for the Commission to host an outreach booth and for input on vendors to invite to the program.

<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. Notable items include:

The Commission has \$5,502.49 available in the trust fund. The 2023 scholarship of \$750 was received by Aylin Bonilla and was paid out in September.

Neighborhood and Volunteer Services has launched the Tool Lending Trailer which provides free landscaping and small project tools for residents to borrow one week at a time.

KGPB had 52 attendees during four gardening classes in the past three months.

KGPB completed the 2023 Litter Index Survey in July. A score of 1.59 was measured with 1 being perfect and 4 being equivalent to an illegal dump in scale. This score was measured by volunteers completing a visual inspection of 60 sections of Grand Prairie roads that were 1 mile in length.

Everde Growers donated 40 peach trees to Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful to be planted in the Community Gardens and in school gardens through the Green and Clean Campus Program.

Marcel Ramos from Dubiski High School was appointed to the Keep Texas Beautiful Youth Texan Ambassadors.

<u>Upcoming Events List</u> – A list of upcoming events list was distributed and Commissioners are invited to 'Save the Date' for the KGPB Award Ceremony and Silent Auction taking place on May 2, 2024.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Chelsea Pavey adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.



MEETING DATE: 12/12/2023

REQUESTER: Amanda Maron

PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator

TITLE: Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission

Scholarship

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share updates from fundraising activities and updates on the application process.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:



MEETING DATE: 12/12/2023

REQUESTER: Amanda Maron

PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator

TITLE: KGPB Award Ceremony Updates

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will review updates to the 2024 KGPB Award Ceremony plan and ask for input form the KGPB Commission.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Item 3.

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Commission

Aaron King
Ann Stevenson
Brandi Bastas, Co-Chairperson
Chelsea Pavey, Chairperson
Darren Ferrar
Gregory Hamilton
Jessica Everitt O'Day
Stephanie Brown
Veronica Crawford

Sponsors

7Brew

Andy's Frozen Custard Billy Bob's Texas Chicken N Pickle

City of Grand Prairie Solid Waste and Recycling Department

The Cove at the Lakefront

Cowtown Coliseum

Epic Waters Indoor Water Park

Fort Worth Botanic Garden

Fort Worth Museum of Science and History

Fort Worth Zoo

Jason's Deli

Joe T. Garcia's

Lone Star Park

Perot Museum of Nature and Science

Premiere Cinemas

Total Wine & More



Guest Speakers

Jorja Clemson, *Grand Prairie City Council* Timothy Hamilton, *Keep Texas Beautiful Board*

KGPB Scholarship

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

Community Garden Produce Donation Awards

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

Community Gardener of the Year Finalists

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

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 **Lonahorn 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**

Adopt-a-Street Good Standing Recognition

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 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. PGCS Pepsi Phoenix Lodge #237 Queen Esther Ch. #30 OES Red Bee Media Robert, VanDella, William & Richard Menifee & 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

Wayne & Kaye Gilbert



MEETING DATE: 12/12/2023

REQUESTER: Amanda Maron

PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator

TITLE: Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share a summary of events that have occurred since the September 12, 2023 meeting.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Coordinator's Report

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Item 4.

Recent Happenings

Commission Accounts

Lawson Actv	Name	Dept	Lawson Unit	Fund	9/30/22 Balance	Rev	Exp	8/31/23 Balance
KGPB	KGPB Commissions	11	330293	3302	1,814.40	-	750.00	1,064.40
PROJ	KGPB Youth Scholarship Fund	11	330493	3304	5,102.49	1,180.00	-	6,282.49

- Clean Prairie Fall Sweep
- Clean Prairie Beautification Program
- Jordan Hight Cemetery
- GP Friendship Hours
- Julian Gray's Eagle Scout Project

Item 4.

Do you want to get involved with your community?

Join our Clean Prairie Beautification Program to meet city staff and enjoy raffle prizes, kid's activities, hotdogs, and chips on October 19.

Volunteer on October 21 to help make Grand Prairie litter-free at Burbank Gardens.

To learn more, visit https://ow.ly/TNBp50PW6oF, #CleanPrairie

Clean Prairie Beautification Program

Meet with City staff from Code, Environmental Quality, Housing, and Solid Waste to find out how you can get more involved in your community.

Get Together

Tony Shotwell Life Center October 19, 2023 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

<u>Litter Pick Up</u>

Burbank Gardens October 21, 2023 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.







Help keep Grand Prairie clean and beautiful by participating in the KGPB Adopt-a-Stream cleanup of the Walnut Creek Paddling Trail, with the North Texas River Runners and the Trinity Coalition, on Saturday, October 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This is a water-based cleanup. Paddlers may bring their own kayak, canoe, etc. A limited number of free kayak and gear rentals are available for registered volunteers.

RSVP no later than Thursday, October 5 📳 https://ow.ly/rz2y50PSCpq.



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Item 4.

Thank you to all our groups for coming out this past Saturday for the second annual Fall Sweep and helping make Grand Prairie litter-free! #CleanPrairie







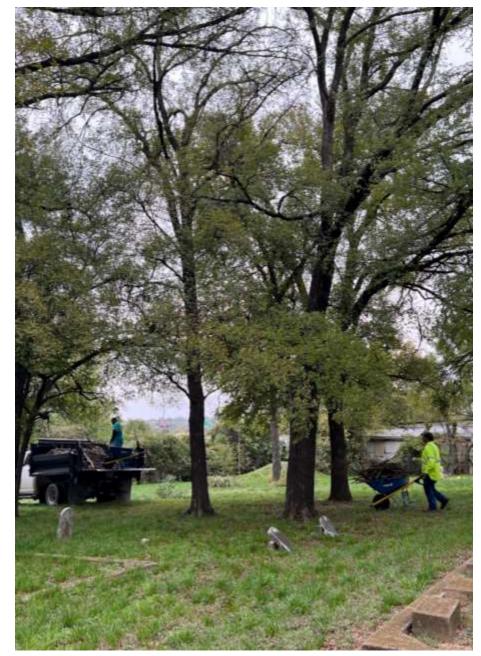
























MEETING DATE: 12/12/2023

REQUESTER: Amanda Maron

PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator

TITLE: Upcoming Events List

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

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

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Events

Updated for December 12, 2023

Gardening Classes and Events, Registration: www.gptx.org/calendar

Saturday, January 6 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Topic to be Announced, Main Library, 901 Conover Dr

Saturday, February 3 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Fruit Tree Pruning, Gateway Garden, 2404 N Carrier Pkwy

Saturday, March 2 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Topic to be Announced, Main Library, 901 Conover Dr

Volunteer Opportunities, Info & Registration: http://bttr.im/i2cc2

Saturday, January 6 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Adopt-a-Stream Cedar Creek with BSA 498 and GS 6888

Friendship Park, 525 Polo Rd

Saturday, January 20 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Adopt-a-Stream Beacon Branch with Beacon Hill HOA

4848 Thames Dr

Saturday, January 27 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge

4340 Endicott Dr

Saturday, February 10 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Adopt-a-Stream Johnson Creek w/ Nottingham Neighbors

2620 E Avenue K

Saturday, March 23 Big Event, www.gptx.org/bigevent

Outreach Opportunities, Information: amaron@gptx.org

Meetings, Information: www.gptx.org/boardsandcommissions

Tuesday, March 12 6:00 p.m. KGPB Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 11 6:00 p.m. KGPB Commission Meeting

Save the Date: KGPB Award Ceremony & Silent Auction, May 2nd

Questions and information: amaron@gptx.org or 972-237-4546

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