

**MINUTES OF  
CITY OF WHARTON  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
Regular MEETING  
Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

Chairperson, Adraylle Watson, declared a Regular Meeting of the Beautification Commission held at City Hall, 120 East Caney Street, Wharton, Texas 77488 duly open for the transaction of business at 4:30 p.m.

Commissioners present were: Sheryl Joost, Debbie Folks, Adraylle Watson, and Nancy Mata

Commissioners absent were: Rachel Roberson

Staff members present were: Nathan Vogt, Code Enforcement  
Shelby Robertson, Building Official Assistant

Visitors: Tracy Trevino

Motion to accept roll call by Debbie Folks seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.

**The first item on the agenda was Public Comments.**

The City Liaison presented the ordinances that govern the commission as a reminder.

**The second item on the agenda was to review & consider: Reading the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on December 13, 2023.**

Motion to approve by Nancy Mata seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.

**The third item on the agenda was to review and consider: Financial Report.**

The commission reviewed the YTD 2023-2024 budget. There were no actions taken.

**The fourth item on the agenda was to review and consider: Certificate of Recognition.**

Review and consider business/residence nominations for consideration of a Certificate of recognition.

1. Business –
2. Residence – *1505 Crestmont, 608 Bell* discussed. Motion to accept 1505 Crestmont by Debbie Folks, seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.

**The fifth item on the agenda was to review and consider: Advocacy & Art**

- A. Advocacy (Debbie Folks)
  - a. The rules for the dog park were approved on February 12, 2024 by City Council. Will be sent to Custom Creations to be made.

- b. Commission members were encouraged to sign up to check the dog park for litter, refill Doggie Waste Station bags, and if any general maintenance is required.
- c. The city liaison presented two signs for consideration to post on the dog park while it is closed. Debbie Folks made the motion to order the Notice Closed For Maintenance sign for \$13.99 from Amazon. Sheryl Joost seconded, all in favor.

B. Art

1. Crosswalk (Debbie Folks) No Action Taken.

C. Community (Adraylle Watson)

1. Grant giving for projects & community requests for supplies/volunteers: No action taken.
2. Event/Merchandise booths: No action taken.
3. Train Depot Signs: It was discussed that another layer of paint was not needed on the poles. Signs will be hung on February 20, 2024, at 5pm, meeting at the Kindey Center on N. Alabama.

D. Education (Adraylle Watson/Rachel Roberson)

1. Social media campaigns: No Action.

E. Garden (Rachel Roberson)

1. Planter Adoption program: City Liaison will look into what it would take to drop an adopter who has not done anything with their adopted area.
2. Painted Rock Garden: Rachel Roberson and the City Liaison waiting on a time to coordinate.
3. Santa Fe Planters: It was decided to wait till current projects were completed before taking on this task.
4. Wild Flowers- Signs need to be placed out. Public works has been informed not to mow these areas, except 5 ft from the curb. The Code Enforcement department is looking into creating ordinances regarding wild flowers.

F. Trash/Recycling (Adraylle Watson)

1. It was decided to keep the Spring Sweep at Guffey Park from 8 am to noon on April 20th. May look into hosting the event at WCJC in the fall. Adraylle has looked into earth911 and Bridgestone to help recycle tires, which will be emailed to the city liaison.

**The seventh item on the agenda was to review and consider: Announcements.**

None

**Motion to adjourn at 5:05 PM by Nancy Mata, seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.**

Adraylle Watson

Nancy Mata