



**CITY OF WHARTON
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MEETING**

**Wednesday, July 12, 2023
4:30 PM**

120 E CANEY STREET, WHARTON, TX 77488



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CITY OF WHARTON
Beautification Commission Meeting
Wednesday, July 12, 2023
City Hall - 4:30 PM

Call to Order.

Roll Call

Public Comments

Elections of Officers

1. Election of Officers.

Review & Consider:

1. Reading of the minutes for the called meeting held June 14, 2023.
2. Financial Report
3. Certificate of Recognition.
4. 2023 Project.

Adjournment.

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BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Meeting Date:	7/12/2023	Agenda Item:	Election of Officers.
<p>At this time the Beautification Commission may review and consider electing new officers for the current term year.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chairperson 2. Vice-Chairperson 3. Secretary 			
City Manager: Joseph R. Pace		Date: Thursday, July 6, 2023	
Approval: /s/ Adraylle Watson			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

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BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Meeting Date:	7/12/2023	Agenda Item:	Reading of the minutes for the called meeting held June 14, 2023.
<p>At this time, the Committee may review and consider the reading of the minutes for the called meeting held June 14, 2023.</p>			
Building Official: Claudia Velasquez		Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2023	
Approval: s/ Adraylle Watson			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

**MINUTES OF
CITY OF WHARTON
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
Regular MEETING
Wednesday, June 14, 2023**

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 4:32 p.m.

Commissioners present were: Debbie Folks, Adraylle Watson, Sheryl Joost, Lucy Alaniz, Nancy Mata, and Rachel Roberson.

Commissioners absent were: Barbee Fortenberry

Staff members present were: Nathan Vogt, Code Enforcement

Visitors: Walter Garrett, Amanda Gonzales, and Ron Sanders of Caney Creek Conservation Foundation.
Karen Smith

Motion to accept roll call by Rachel Roberson seconded by Nancy Mata, all in favor.

The first item on the agenda to review & consider: Reading of the minutes for the Special Meeting held on held May 17, 2023.

Motion to approve as drafted by Lucy Alaniz seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.

The second item on the agenda was Public Comments

City Liaison mentioned that elections are next month, so please do not miss. City Liaison is working with current officers to come up with clear roles for the positions.

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

Commission reviewed YTD 2022-2023 budget. Discussed items not included in report, i.e. BACODA grant check for the dog park. 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 – *No action was taken.*
2. Residence – *116 W First St.*, discussed, motion by Rachel Roberson, seconded by Debbie Folks, all in favor.

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

A. Advocacy (Debbie Folks)

1. Fundraising-Dog Park: Discussion – purchasing signage of rules for the dog park. City Liaison will look into what it would take to name the dog park.

B. Art

No Action

C. Community (Adraylle Watson)

1. Grant giving for projects & community requests for supplies/volunteers: No Action
2. Event/Merchandise booths: No Action
3. Train Depot Signs: Since school is out for summer, it is difficult to get the welding for the signs completed.
4. Caney Creek Conservation Foundation- Walter Garrett: asked for any left grant funds help them purchase a water tank and pump to help water trees, estimated around \$1,200.

D. Education (Adraylle Watson/Rachel Roberson)

1. Social media campaigns: Announced Karen Smith as the winner of the Facebook Giveaway.
2. Rachel shared the analytics from May's Facebook page.

E. Garden (Rachel Roberson)

1. Planter Adoption program:
 - a. *There is one planter left out by the museum.* There were no actions taken.
2. Civic Center Planting: There were no actions taken.
3. Wildflower Shake-up: Will be held May 27, 2023 at the train caboose 9:30AM to 10:30AM. Nancy Mata made motion to approve purchase of materials needed, seconded by Lucy Alaniz, all in favor. Permission was given to mow Mockingbird Park.
4. Painted Rock Garden: Working to find volunteers.
5. Santa Fe Planters: Start collecting bids from companies to preform the work. City Liason will look for a approved vendor list to pass on to the Commission.

F. Trash/Recycling (Adraylle Watson)

No Action

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

Elections are next month, so please do not miss.

Motion to adjourn at 5:09 PM by Rachel Roberson seconded by Sheryl Joost, all in favor.

Adraylle Watson, Chairperson

Nancy Mata, Secretary

**Wharton Beautification
Financial Statement as of July 6, 2023
Fiscal Year 2022-23**

Item-2.

			Previous Month's Totals
Revenue (updated 7/6)	(Merchandise sales, donations, etc.)	\$ 64,368	\$ 3,999
5/30/2023	Wildflower Shake Up	\$ 29	
6/2.2023	BACODA Dog Park Grant	\$ 62,000	

Total Budget:	\$ 7,500
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Expenses:		\$6,500.00	
10/17/22	Rachel Roberson-Reimbursement for Dog	\$157.46	
11/07/22	Custom Creations: Shirts & Safety Vests	\$296.00	
11/21/22	Kalina Nursey: Giveaway Coleus Plant	\$35.00	
12/15/22	MuttBags: (4) Pet Waste Stations	\$898.00	
02/24/23	Rachel Roberson-Reimbursement for	\$296.54	
03/06/23	2023 Annual Affiliate Fee KTB	\$200.00	
04/20/23	HEB-Snacks for Spring Sweep	\$54.15	
5/10/2023	Aqua-zyme porta can for Spring sweep	\$183.00	
05/04/23	Gemplers- 10 metal signs	\$78.86	
05/16/23	Liberty Tires	\$437.53	
05/16/23	Custom Creations: Shirts	\$123.00	
05/30/23	Rachel Roberson- Wilflower Shake Up	\$66	
Total Expenses		\$2,825.54	
Remaining Budget		\$3,674.46	\$ 5,159.69

Community Grants		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
<i>No Grants YTD</i>			
Total Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
Remaining Budget		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

Total Remaining Budget Funds:	\$ 4,674
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BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Meeting Date:	7/12/2023	Agenda Item:	Financial Report
<p>At this time, the Committee may review and discuss financial report attached.</p>			
Building Official: Claudia Velasquez		Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2023	
Approval: /s/ Adraylle Watson			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

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Meeting Date:	6/14/2023	Agenda Item:	Certificate of Recognition.
<p>At this time, the Commission may review and consider Certificate of Recognition.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Business – 2. Residence – 116 W First St. 			
Building Official: Claudia Velasquez		Date: Thursday, June 8, 2023	
Approval: Nathan Vogt			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

Residence nomination: 116 W First



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Meeting Date:	7/12/2023	Agenda Item:	2023 Project.
<p>At this time, the Committee may review and consider the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Advocacy (Debbie Folks) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Naming of Dog Park 2. Selecting Equipment for Dog Park – Claudia Velasquez 3. Demolition assistance - Claudia Velasquez B. Art C. Community (Adraylle Watson) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grant giving for projects & community requests for supplies/volunteers 2. Event/Merchandise booths 3. Train Depot signs update 4. Caney Creek Conservation Foundation request. D. Education (Adraylle Watson/Rachel Roberson) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Social media campaigns – Recycle Tip Tuesday, ordinances, E. Garden (Rachel Roberson) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planter Adoption program 2. Civic Center Planting 3. Painted Rock Garden 4. Santa Fe flower bed bids from landscapers- Debbie F. Trash/Recycling (Adraylle Watson) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Date for Fall Sweep 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Date 			
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