

**STATE OF TEXAS §**  
**COUNTY OF TARRANT §**  
**CITY OF BEDFORD §**

**approved**

The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on January 21, 2013, with the following members present:

William Ledbetter, Chairperson  
Connie LaClair  
Jenny Bumgardner  
Faye Murphy  
Richard Dobrovoly  
Steve Henning  
Patty Sinclair

Constituting a quorum.

Absence:

Sam Brown  
Rene Griffin  
Kelly Shipp

Also attending were:

Don Henderson, Parks Superintendent  
Dr. Roy Turner, City Council Liaison

**CALL TO ORDER**

William Ledbetter, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

**NEW MEMBERS / OFFICER ELECTIONS**

- 1. Consider and act upon appointment of a chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary to the Bedford Beautification Commission.**

Patty Sinclair nominated Faye Murphy as Chairperson; Steve Henning seconded. The motion carried.

Faye Murphy nominated Connie LaClair as Vice Chairperson; Richard Dobrovoly seconded. The motion carried.

Faye Murphy nominated Jenny Bumgardner as Secretary; Connie LaClair seconded. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- 2. Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:  
a) December 17, 2012 regular meeting.**

Richard Dobrovoly made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Connie La Clair seconded. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**3. Discuss participation in the Community Garden for 2013.**

Don Henderson discussed that the 6 Stones Community Garden would like more input/participation/visibility from the Beautification Commission. After discussion, Don will ask a member from the 6 Stones Advisory Board to attend the February 18, 2013, Beautification Commission meeting to share ideas and information. Richard Dobrovoly volunteered to head up a subcommittee that will focus on the 6 Stones Community Garden project.

**4. Update on status of shirts for Beautification Members.**

Patty Sinclair displayed the new Commission shirt. Each attending member took a shirt home that will be worn at all official city events that include the Beautification Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**5. Discuss purchasing budget up to \$4,000 for the purpose of replacement and additional Holiday decorations.**

The budgeted amount will be used to replace aging decorations and spruce up current holiday décor. Connie LaClair made a motion to approve the funding; Steve Henning seconded. The motion carried. Patty Sinclair mentioned the possibility of recruiting local businesses to sponsor holiday decorations throughout the city. Don Henderson will look into the possibility.

**6. Discussed and set calendar dates for 2013.**

Don Henderson presented the proposed dates for the regular Beautifications annual events. Because of several conflicts, the commission made changes to dates for the Boys' Ranch work days, which will be on the second Saturday of the month to coincide better with other city events. This will help with manning issues and also prevent conflicts with other city events.

**7. Discuss the February 15 deadline for the Bedford Connection Magazine.**

Don Henderson asked for input. Members will provide input on what the Commission might include on the space allocated to the Commission. Members shared ideas about visibility at city events. Many members are concerned about the wide scope of the commission with so few members. It was suggested that the Commission provide more information to be displayed on bulletin boards both electronic and fixed. Recruitment of new members might be easier if more citizens were aware of what the Commission does for the City.

**8. Discussed the plans for the Bedford Boys Ranch workdays with the next workday scheduled for Saturday February 16, 8:00 a.m.**

Changed the date to Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> to correspond with changes of all workdays to the second Saturday of the month. Prior to the workday, city staff will pull out the top row of shrubs in front of the Trinity Arts Guild and at Senior Center. On the workday volunteers will mulch both areas.

**NEXT MEETING**

**9. The next meeting of the Beautification Commission will be held on Monday, February 18, 2013.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business, Connie LaClair made a motion for adjournment. Jenny Bumgardner seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

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**Faye Murphy, Chairperson**