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approved

The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on June 16, 2014, with the following members present:

Faye Murphy, Chairperson
Connie LaClair, Vice Chairperson
Marty Geer
Bucky Geer
Richard Dobrovoly
Patty Sinclair
Jenn Stevenson
Don Whitehurst
Constituting a quorum.

Absence:
Samuel Brown, Jr.
Jenny Bumgardner, Secretary
Earline Clason
Andy Sioco
Jenn Wordell-Todd

Also attending were:
Don Henderson, Parks Superintendent
Dr. Roy Turner, City Council Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Faye Murphy, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:35 PM.
A quorum was present

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. **Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:**
 - a) **April 21, 2014 regular meeting.**

Connie LaClair made a motion to accept the minutes as written Richard Dobrovoly seconded.
The motion carried. There was no meeting in May due to lack of a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS

2. **Report on CRUD day event.**

Paint was the biggest item received.

3. Discuss plans and review pictures for Harwood landscape project.

Don Henderson reported that plant selection and location of plantings be recommended by the Commission for Council Approval.

Suggestions for planning in islands: Yucca, Mexican Heather, Knock-out Roses, Possum haw holly (red berries) and large stones. To be voted on at the next meeting.

4. Discuss and vote for Business Award nominations.

Business award for Overall Appearance was approved for Dr. Dalton's office and Eye Associates on Central Drive.

Business award for Superior Landscaping was approved for Pecan Creek Apartments on Central.

Nominations will be presented to Council in August to approve presentation on August 23.

5. Report on adopt-a-street program sub-committee meeting.

Jenn Stevenson recommended 5 key areas for adoption process:

- Notification of Citizens through the water bill
- Formation of process to present to Council – Goal is to “Keep Bedford Beautiful”.
- Adoption process expectation from Citizens/Business, etc.
 - ◆ Clean-up six times annually minimum
 - ◆ Must attend safety class for overview
 - ◆ Submit clean-up information checklist to city
 - ◆ Enforcement process
 - ◆ City to provide vests and pickers for main street area
- Submit signage opportunities and plaque recognition ideas.
- Send Commission members outline of process for review and recommendations.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Update on the memorial tree walk as it relates to Phase I of the Boys Ranch Park project.

Don Henderson stated that renovation of the Boys Ranch Park is tentatively scheduled to begin after July 4th. The bid will be put out then.

Some of the memorial trees will be removed from the tree walk also bricks with names moved. There is a plan for a brick paver field also.

7. Update on the Greenhouse.

Don Henderson reported that new air filters were purchased and aluminum parts replaced due to corrosion. When the area dries out crushed granite will be laid for a much needed improvement.

8. Discuss program for general knowledge about plastic bags including new restrictions and laws.

Start a campaign to eliminate plastic bags. Have a reminder on the water bill. Tie a knot in plastic bags to keep them from blowing away. Take this initiative to Council.

9. Update on community garden.

Richard Dobrovolny reported that we have squash, zucchini and green tomatoes.

10. Discuss the plans for the Bedford Boys Ranch workdays with the next workday scheduled for Saturday, July 19, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

June 21 was also a workday with weeding done at the entry to the Boys Ranch Park.

NEXT MEETING

11. The next meeting of the Beautification Commission will be held August 18, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, Connie LaClair made a motion for adjournment. Jenn Stevenson seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Faye Murphy, Chairperson