

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

**approved**

The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on August 18, 2014, with the following members present:

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

Absence:  
Samuel Brown, Jr.  
Marty Geer  
Earline Clason  
Jenn Wordell-Todd

Also attending was:  
Don Henderson, Parks Superintendent  
Roy Turner, City Council Liaison

**CALL TO ORDER**

Faye Murphy, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**1. Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:**

**a) June 16, 2014 regular meeting.**

Connie LaClair motioned that the minutes be approved; Dick Dobrovoly seconded. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2. Discuss plans and review pictures for Harwood landscape project.**

Don Henderson reported that the city will be able to landscape a 20' x 10' area at the end of a median for approximately \$8,000 each.

Commission discussed plant composition; discussed using spreading roses versus knockout roses which tend to overgrow, and also the possibility of using river rocks versus the decomposed granite, which tends to wash away during heavy rainstorms.

The Commission agreed to begin with two medians:

- 1) Harwood Road west of Forest Ridge Dr., and
- 2) Harwood Road west of Spring Valley Dr.

Connie LaClair moved that the Commission budget up to \$18,000 for the two medians; Jenn Stevenson seconded. The motion passed.

**3. Discuss presentation of Business Award nominations.**

Chosen businesses would receive their awards on Saturday, August 23, at 10:00 a.m.

**4. Report on adopt-a-street program sub-committee meeting.**

The subcommittee is working on guidelines to submit to the City Council. Plans are for adopters to commit to ¼ to ½ mile commitments for one year terms. Members discussed recognizing adopters in the Bedford Connection. Current plans are for the Commission to pay for the signs, and Parks & Recreation will pay for poles and installation. Jenn Stevenson will send a complete outline to Don Henderson and bring back in September for approval.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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

During park construction, current monuments will be stored and offered to families to keep. Personalized pavers will replace the monuments, and city residents will also have the opportunity to purchase personalized pavers.

**6. Discuss Meadow Park Trail Extension landscaping.**

The parks department will relocate flowering bulbs prior to construction.

**7. Discussion regarding the new board and commission appointment process.**

City Council will interview commission members who in September re-apply.

**8. Update on community garden.**

The community garden currently has squash; the Commission will try fall tomatoes.

**9. Discuss the plans for the Bedford Boys Ranch workdays with the next workday scheduled for Saturday, September 20, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.**

Members discussed medium sized boulders near the entrance. Connie LaClair and other members will try a vinegar solution to kill the nutgrass.

**NEXT MEETING**

- 10. The next meeting of the Beautification Commission will be held September 15, 2014.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business, Don Whitehurst made a motion for adjournment. Jenn Stevenson seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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**Faye Murphy, Chairperson**