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**approved**

The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on April 19, 2021 with the following members present:

Marty Geer, Chairperson                      Bonnie Cooper                      Rachel Eisermann                      Yvonne Garcia  
Karen Jacobsen                                  Glen Mizell                                  Patty Sinclair

**Constituting a quorum.**

City Council/Staff Representatives:  
Don Henderson - Parks Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Marty Geer, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- 1. Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:**  
**a) March 15, 2021 regular meeting**

Yvonne Garcia moved that the minutes be approved as written, Glen Mizell seconded. The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 2. Jeri Harwell with Republic Services to speak on recycling.**

Jeri Harwell advised that contamination is the major issue with recycling, i.e., yard waste, food containers. Jeri stated all recycled items are to be clean and all glass is accepted. Jeri stated that Styrofoam is not accepted; however, they are currently accepting and collecting plastic bags and donating them to the Bag to Bench Program. This is a process where the plastic bags are processed into benches. Jeri will contact Molly Fox, Director of Communications for the City of Bedford, for additional information and brief the BBC at the May meeting regarding the Bag to Bench Program. A discussion was held on preparing a video on recycling from start to finish. The site [recyclingsimplified.com](http://recyclingsimplified.com) is available for schools at no cost. Rachel Eisermann stated that she has a Girl Scout troop that is interested in participating in a recycling program.

- 3. Report on Clean Up Bedford and Chunk Your Junk events held on April 17.**

Don reported that 108 vehicles attended Chunk Your Junk and 70 cars disposed of e-waste for a total of 178 vehicles. A total of 4500 pounds of scrap metal; 13 televisions and 300-400 pounds computer/electronic equipment.

Patty reported that at the Clean Up Bedford (CUB) event, there were 37 children, 2 Boy Scouts and 47 adults for a total of 84 participants. A total of 100 lbs. of canned/dry goods were collected at the event. The food was donated to North East Emergency Distribution (NEED).

**4. Discussion and possible action on Keep Texas Beautiful Virtual Conference June 29 – July 1, 2021.**

The topic for this year's conference is Leading Sustainable Transformations in our Communities. Marty Geer, Rachel Eisermann and Karen Jacobsen will be attending the virtual conference. When a schedule of the conference sessions are received, a copy will be provided to the participants. At the May 2021 BBC meeting, additional information will be available regarding the conference. If other BBC members would like to attend the conference, notify Marty Geer.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**5. Discussion and possible action on future projects.**

Don stated that City Hall Building C and Brookhollow Park have beds that need to be filled with flat white rocks. Glen Mizell made a motion to authorize an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for flat white rocks for City Hall, Building C and Brookhollow Park. Yvonne Garcia seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**6. Discussion and possible action on Earth Day April 22, 2021 events.**

Don will be planting Red Oak trees for Earth Day on April 22, 2021. The trees will be planted in the median on Central Drive between Bedford Euless Road and Cummings. Board members may join the planting ceremony on April 22 at 10:00 am. The following week, crepe myrtles will be planted.

**7. The next scheduled workday is May 15, 2021 City Hall.**

**NEXT MEETING**

**8. The next scheduled meeting of the Beautification Commission will be May 17, 2021.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business, Karen Jacobsen made a motion for adjournment of the meeting; Yvonne Garcia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Marty Geer, Chairperson