

Beautification Commission Minutes April 22, 2019

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The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on April 22, 2019 with the following members present:

Marty Geer, Chairperson	Bucky Geer	June Gravely	Kimberly Payne
Glenn Mizell	Karen Jacobsen		

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

CALL TO ORDER

Marty Geer, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:40 pm.
Marty Geer reminded the commission members of upcoming events:
Retirement Reception for Dr. Roy Turner, City Council Member - April 23, 2019
Plant Sale at 6-Stones - Saturday, April 27, 2019 - 9 am - 2 pm; Commission members will assist. Twilight Concerts in the Park - every Friday evening during the month of May
City Block Party - April 26, 6 - 8 pm; Morningside Drive (off Central Drive, north of Cummings), sponsored by Bedford Community Affairs

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:**
 - a) March 18, 2019 regular meeting**
Bucky Geer moved that the minutes be approved as written, Glenn Mizell seconded. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Introduction of Parks, Recreation and Special Events Staff.**
Several Parks, Recreation and Special Events Staff were in attendance as visitors. Don Henderson explained that the staff was responsible for all the behind-the-scenes set-up for all city and commission events. Each staff person introduced themselves and their job duty. In turn, all commission members also introduced themselves. Marty Geer thanked the city staff for all their hard work and tremendous patient support to the commissions. The city staff assistance is very much appreciated.
- 3. Election of Vice Chairperson.**
Currently the commission does not have a designated Vice Chairperson. The responsibility of a Vice Chairperson is to conduct the business of the Beautification Commission in the absence of the Chairperson. Kimberly Payne was voted by acclamation to hold this position.

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4. Discussion and possible action on attending KTB Conference in Rockwall, June 18 – 20, 2019.

There will be a Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) Conference in Rockwall, TX June 18-20, 2019 at the Rockwall Hilton Conference Center. KTB is a state organization that assists cities to develop programs that utilizes volunteers to help keep Texas a better place environmentally. The conference program will address beautification suggestions, waste reduction and education, recycling, planting, and environmental/earth issues.

Conference attendance will benefit in future grant writing for potential city beautification projects. The cost is \$434.00/person. Discussion was held to determine how much money to appropriate for 2 members to attend - registration fees, hotel, gas/travel, food. Kimberly Payne moved to appropriate \$2,500.00 to cover costs involved for 2 members, Glenn Mizell seconded. Marty Geer will attend and Karen Jacobsen will check her schedule to determine if she can attend.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Report and discussion on CUB Day and Chunk your Junk event April 6.

Due to bad weather the recent scheduled Chunk Your Junk on April 6, 2019 was canceled and will not be rescheduled. However, several residents were already in line to dispose their items before the cancellation was made. City staff that were at Meadow Park did allow those residents to dump their items in the dumpsters. Approximately 50 cars were handled until the line had to be closed due to the downpour of rain. April 6 CUB Day was also canceled and will not be rescheduled.

City staff will be working on a proposal to the City Council for a more efficient plan to inform residents of cancellations of city events.

6. Discussion and possible action on the purchase of benches at the Boys Ranch Lake.

Bucky Geer suggested the possibility of purchasing perhaps 2 more park benches. Discussion was held and on the next workday in May, commission members would walk around the lake to see if there could be more locations for benches. No decision was made.

7. The next Bedford Boys Ranch workday will be Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Kimberly Payne will be in charge of the clean-up.

NEXT MEETING

8. The next meeting of the Beautification Commission will be May 20, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, Kimberly Payne made a motion for adjournment of the meeting, June Gravely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Marty Geer, Chairperson