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Minutes from Oct 19, 2015

Carol Williams called the meeting of the Haltom City Beautification Board to order at 6:02 pm. Present were Denise Ford, Wayne Clowers, Sandy Lottes, Carol Williams, Birdi Blocker, Bob Presley, and Julie Jenkins. Guests were Justin French from Planning and Code and Walter Grow's appointee to the board, Ms Tony Holmes.

Denise made the motion and it was seconded by Birdi to accept the September minutes. Motion approved.

Volunteer hours: for Sept/Oct: Wayne 5, Denise 15, Sandy 48, Carol 14, Birdi 22, Bob 8

Old Business / Reports Trinity Trash Bash was held Oct. 1 at Little Fossil Park with nice weather and good snacks. We had 129 releases signed. Next year we must work on simplifying the registration because there was a long line.

Discussion Items

Simple Recycling presentation will be at the pre-council meeting on October 26th at 6:00 pm. Sunny with Simple Recycling will address the council about the benefits of this curb-side recycling program. Monies raised from this program would come to the Beautification Board. If the council agrees to the program, information will start going out to customers. There is no cost to the city.

Volunteer Lunch will be on Thursday, November 5, from 11:00am to 1:00 pm at TTC Northeast Center. Chuy's is going to cater this event but we will get drinks and dessert from Sam's. Julie needs names of volunteers to invite this week. Donna and Carol said they would take care of table decorations.

8 KTB ornaments are left and it was decided to give those to Santa Claus, Maria, and Justin, and 5 others whom we wish to thank.

Annual Tree Sale Only 4 trees have been sold so far and Tuesday is the last day to place an order. They will be available to pick up at the Arbor Day celebration.

Arbor Day is Saturday, November 7 from 10-12 at TCC Center. Courtney Blevins from Texas Forestry Service will come to make a presentation and Officer Trey Kerr will be the speaker. We will set for 50 people. Garden Club will provide drinks and refreshments.

Haltom Science Club wants to plant trees but they aren't able to take care of the trees. They would like information about where they can get trees, and where to plant them. Julie will tell their sponsor about Jack Crawford from NE Chamber of Commerce who has hopes for planting trees at Birdville schools. She will also give him Courtney Blevins's contact information.

Fran Burns Memorial Tree Wayne made a motion that we buy a tree and check prices at DFW Cast Stone. Birdi seconded. Motion passed. Julie will check with the tree farm to see if there is a chinese pistache tree available. Bob will go to DFW Cast Stone to check prices.

Neighborhood Decorating Contest Dates for the contest are December 14-17 Mon-Thurs. with the names and addresses due to Julie on Friday, December 18. There will be six sections to judge for Best Lights, Best Use of Theme and Judges Choice. Winners will get yard signs. Julie will check with Fran about the signs. The winner's names will be presented at council and we'll have cookies to celebrate with the winners. All board members will have to participate in the judging.

Dates Halloween Party, Sat. Oct 31st. HC Rec Center; Volunteer Lunch, Thurs, Nov 5, 11a-1p, HC Northeast Center; NEET Recycles Flea Market, Sat, Nov 14th, The Hills, NRH; Christmas on Broadway, Sat. Dec 5, HC Rec Center; Christmas Craft Fair, Sat. Dec 5, HC Northeast Center; GCAA Award due Tues. Feb.9th; Haltom Stampede, Sat. Feb 13th; Car Show for Kids, Sat. April 2nd, Haltom High School; Springfest, Sat. April 2nd, Haltom High School

Donna Peterson was excused due to illness.

Having no further business, we adjourned at 7:16 pm

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Lottes, Secretary