

Keep Haltom City Beautiful

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Minutes from March 16, 2015

The meeting of the Haltom City Beautification Board and Keep Haltom City Beautiful was called to order at 7:40 pm by chairwoman Carol Williams.

Present were Denise Ford, Wayne Clowers, Sandy Lottes, Birdi Blocker, Carol Williams, Bob Presley, Donna Peterson and Fran Burns.

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

Volunteer hours: for February/March: Wayne 10, Denise 10, Sandy 10, Birdi 14, Carol 3, Bob 33, Donna 18

Old Business

GCAA As hard as we tried, we came in second place with Harlingen as the first place winner of the Governor's Award.

Spring Gallery Night March 28. Carol and Donna are working on the collage for our contribution to Gallery Night.

Staff Change The city has five people they are interested in for Fran's position. Carol would like to sit in on the interviews. Before he or she takes over, we will clean out and organize the Beautification Board closet. Old photos will be stored at the Historical Museum.

Guinness Attempt Fran sent in the counter proposal in February. They have the new survey, but we have not heard anything yet.

Community Gardens There is a workday scheduled at the Grace-Full Community Garden on April 11, from 9-noon. For the Senior Center garden, Trey received some money from AARP. Lowe's has money for gardens and discounts if we give a list of what is needed. The Garden Club is considering how much to give Trey as their donation.

NEET progress They are still recruiting new members. The Enviro-Fair is set for May 13 and 14 from 9 am to 11:30 and noon til 2:30. Brenda from BISD will recruit 4th grades from the four cities and make her choices. So far the Tree ID man, the Water Company, Oncor, and the water wagon man are scheduled to come.

Recycling at work survey We sent out a survey to the municipal buildings. All said they are doing paper recycling. The library is set up with Progressive. The Rec Center has someone who recycles beverage cans at their home pick-up. Fran takes recyclables home from City Hall.

Discussion Items

Recycle Challenge Sandy reported that we will be doing a plastic bag recycling project with Haltom City Schools. Trex will send us planters for the participating schools and the winner will get a recycled bench that the Eagle scout made for us.

Clean Campus Award Denise will do the judging of the campuses. March 16-20th would be the time to evaluate the condition of the school campuses.

Car Show/ Springfest Everything is moving along on schedule. We will meet on Monday, march 23, to put the goody bags together. When the tee shirts come, we will meet to roll the shirts in for the different sizes. We will have plenty of door prizes for the show car drivers and raffles for the general public. Bikes and helmets will be picked up for the coloring contest

winners. They will pick them up at the car show. Although only six cars have registered so far, we expect that most will wait until the day of to register.

Cigarette Litter Issue We got a letter from Lesly Smith, library director, thanking us for the smokeless area that includes benches and cigarette disposal.

Texas Trash-Off The Great American Cleanup will be held on April 11, from 1pm until 4 in conjunction with Haltom Gives Back. 300 students from the high school will meet at the Study Center after they have lunch at the high school. BNSF is looking for a project. We could have them clean up Denton Highway since we don't want students on that road.

Eagle Scout project An Eagle scout put down a pad at the Demonstration Garden at Northeast Center. The concrete table and chairs that the Garden Club donated to the Rec Center years ago is now there at the garden. It will be a welcome addition.

Dumpster Day April 18, 8am-noon There will not be any paper shredding this time. It was asked if we could get a policeman to check for those without driver's licenses. Code enforcement is there to do this.

Demonstration Garden Please come to the garden on March 21, at 9am to clean up the weeds.

We are waiting to hear about Sheila's move. She was not in attendance.

Dates Photo Contest Deadline, Tuesday, March 17; Jazz Monsters concert at Don Cruz, Sunday, March 22, 6-8pm, Texas Trash Off, Saturday, April 11; Dumpster Day, Saturday, April 18; Earth Day, Wednesday, April 22.

Having no further business, we adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Lottes, Secretary