

**Keep Friendswood Beautiful
Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2016**

Board members in attendance:

**Sherry Goen
Susan Stephens
Tom Goodwin
Paul Marx
Patty Steinke
Kaye Corey
Shawn Potter
Mary Piwetz
Leslie Peralta
Katie Travis
Kaye Corey
Todd Mendenhall
Tammy Zurwaski
Tim Anderson
Rhonda Neel, P & Z Liasion
James Toney, Director of Parks and Recreation
Kimberly Ramirez, Staff
Katy Blanchard, Staff
John Scott, Council Liasion**

1. Call to order: Call to order at 6:31pm.

2. Discussion/approval of September, 27, 2016 and October 25, 2016 minutes: Susan made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, Paul second the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Communications/ Guest:

A. Volunteer Hours: Sherry informed the board to turn in their hours.

B. Committee Reports

****Executive Committee-Sherry/Susan/Natasha-**Committee discussed applying for the KTB GCAA award; Sherry informed the group that KFB will be eligible to submit an application next year.

****Public Awareness-Natasha McAdoo (Business Decorating Contest)-**Katy asked for suggestions on whom to award as the winners for the Downtown decoration contest. She received a few emails from board members. At the meeting board voted on:

Window Display-Allure

Fun and Quirky-Family Animal Hospital of Friendswood

Elegance- Lary's

Best in Show-Silver Bee Boutique

****Education-Patty Steinke** (upcoming workshop)-Patty informed the group that she approached the Goddard school on doing an educational presentation. KFB will be doing an educational presentation to the Girl Scouts on January, 30 at Mary Queen Church.

****Beautification-Kaye Corey** (Update on Butterfly Project)-Kaye Corey informed the board that the Rotary wanted to partner with KFB on adding a butterfly garden near the bridge at Old City Park. Kaye informed the board that Kim and I attended a butterfly garden presentation at the Houston Zoo last month, we met a lady there named Barbara Wiley, made contact with her to set up a meeting at the Chamber with the Rotary Club to discuss using the natural area near the bridge at Old City Park for a monarch butterfly garden. We qualify for a grant and will need to start the grant application process soon, Kaye encourage other groups to help out. Kaye stated I'm still thinking it's a Rotary project and I hope it works out. Haven't heard anything from the Wartersmart ladies and still waiting on that. We're adding hard wired poles for lighting at the bridge at Old City Park.

****Parks-Tom Goodwin (Friendswood Lake Opening)**-Tom stated the lake is coming along great. They had added the dock and the canoe launch. The neatest thing about the dock & kayak launching system that both are wheel chaired bound. We're shooting for spring break to open the lake. Waiting on West Ranch to start on the pavilion. Tom stated we need to discuss the actual ribbon cutting; I would like to have the pavilion named after Mr. Krch. The basketball pavilion is coming along nicely. Sherry asked about parking concerns out there. James stated that theirs 41 spaces out there, we're not planning any events there, not moving Kidfish out there due to lack of parking. The pavilion can be reserved. We would limit the attendance to the pavilion.

****Environmental Action-Paul Marx (Composting workshop)**: The city did not receive the Geobin; Tammy asked if you want to go forward for the February 18th workshop? Tammy stated for 50 Geobin its \$1500, no cost for the presenter. Sherry asked if the February date the only date that is available, Tammy stated she will need to check on that. Sherry stated, let's wait to get the Geobin and possibly schedule it later. Free workshop \$25 a Geobin. Should we charge people for the workshop? Board thought we should charge them. Katy will send out a survey on composting once we receive the Geobin.

C. Median Maintenance/Grant Project/TxDOT Update and FM2351 update: Sherry stated we have seen some work done on the FM518 medians. James stated that the planting is underway, their working to get it done by Christmas. The rained has slowed them down but they should be back out there tomorrow. We met with Cornerstone

and they have their new marching orders on getting FM2351 back to what they look like before. Irrigation has been repaired.

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****Fall Haul**, Kimberly informed the board that 660 people attended the event, and we collected \$705 from garage sale. We did have an issue; the manager from the trailer park, Hut Mobile Park on Woodlawn stated they were turned away. Waste Solutions stated they told them the event is residential, not a commercial event. James explained to her that it wasn't KFB that turned her away but Waste Solutions and he would talk to them soon. He's going to recommend letting the mobile home to be an exception. Waste Connections have recommended carding everyone who attends the event and only let residents attend and participate in the event. KFB doesn't believe that the 10 or 15% non-residents that participate are worth the trouble. Susan stated we're trying to keep items out of the landfill, why would we turn people away.

****Sign-up for Dec 13 KFB Christmas Party at McAdoo's**: Katy informed the board that the Christmas party is at the McAdoo's on the 13th, dress is casual, and it's a potluck. Katy has a list of what everyone is going to bring. Natasha is going to provide drinks, it starts at 6pm.

****Friends of Downtown Friendswood**: Sherry is meeting with them in January.

****Tree Giveaway-Saturday, January 21, 2017**: Todd informed the group that all the trees are ordered, their 6ft tall trees. Selection consists of white oak, red oak and magnolia. Kimberly asked Todd to get an invoice from Alvin Tree Farms so she can enter a PO.

****Update on Banners**: Katy showed the board the new FM518 banners, Susan made a motion to spend no more than \$1604 for the new banners, Patty seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

****Solar lights, in Stevenson**, Kimberly informed the board that they have been ordered and should be installed soon. Light poles along the sidewalk will be installed Friday.

****Santa in the Park-Dec 10**

Sherry informed the board to sign up the subcommittee list.

Layout: Kimberly showed the board the layout of the park,

Set up of Vendors: KFB board members will be helping with the setup of the event.

Reception for HomeTown Bank: Sherry, Susan and Katy will be hosting the event; Katy will be printing pictures taken with Santa and have them available to HomeTown the day of.

Sign Up for Workers: Kimberly passed out a signup sheet for the committee to sign up to work Santa in the Park the day of.

Cakes for Cakewalk: Katy asked the board to bring cakes for the cake walk.

Calendar Sales: Calendars will be available to sale at Santa in the Park for \$5 each.

Wristband Sales: Presale will start 2 weeks before the event with advertising; donate a toy to Blue Santa to receive a \$5 discount on a wristband.

Other consideration

****Additional solar light in Stevenson**

E. New Business: NA

F. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

Approved by:

Kimberly Ramirez

Date:

January 24, 2017