

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

BE IT KNOWN that the Keep Lake Jackson Beautiful commission met in regular session on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at the Conference Room at Lake Jackson City Hall, 25 Oak Drive, Lake Jackson, TX with the following present:

Amy Tasto, Chair	Celeste Rogers
Stacy Lewis, Vice-Chair	Glen Jones
Cassandra Zamoralez, Secretary	Shirley Ann Miller
Ande Larsen	Hali McCurry
Jeri Yenne	Debby Soltesz, past chair
Lora-Marie Bernard, PIO	Bryce Carleton, Parks Superintendent

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER - 5:33 p.m.
2. SWEAR IN NEW MEMBERS
 - a. Hali McCurry
 - b. Ande Larsen
 - c. Stacy Lewis
 - d. Celeste Rogers
 - e. Members not sworn in will do so before or at the next meeting.
3. REORGANIZE BOARD - LORA-MARIE BERNARD
 - a. Election of new chairman
 - i. Nomination of Amy by Cassandra
 - ii. Second by Stacy
 - iii. Amy is chairman by unanimous vote.
 - iv. Stacy is vice-chair – appointed by Amy.
 - v. Cassandra is secretary – appointed by Amy.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 2023
 - a. Motion to accept as written – Stacy.
 - b. Second from Shirley Anne
 - c. All in favor, unanimously passed, approved as written.
5. REPORT ON LANDSCAPING PROJECTS - BRYCE CARLETON
 - a. Be on the lookout for dead trees. Report to Bryce
6. DISCUSS KEEP TEXAS BEAUTIFUL CONFERENCE AND GCAA AWARD PROJECT
 - a. KTB divides \$2 million per year, can only win once every 5 years. We won our population category this year. We have won more than any other community in the state of Texas.

- b. \$210,000 for a landscaping project on a Texas right of way – we will discuss it in our August meeting.
 - i. Ideas: ramps on the overpasses on 2004, lots of dead trees up and down 288, trees on 2004 by the plantation, crepe myrtles might need to be replaced, wildflowers along the highway
 - ii. Future project: have been given tentative permission to wrap them or have them painted by artists (must come from our budget monies)

7. DISCUSS ORDERING NEW CHARLIE CHIPPER MASCOT

- a. The costume is falling apart.
- b. We have received some bids.
- c. Need to have it in around September 1st so that it can go in this fiscal year's budget.

8. REPORT ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- a. Will reassign at August meeting
- b. Is there a contact to report things we see while out on cleanups?
 - i. inspections@lakejacksontx.gov

9. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- a. Would like to discuss our having polo shirts.
- b. Have been asked by the school if there are any more recycling bins for the classroom.
- c. Night at Hogwarts – library event – Saturday, December 9th – community groups are asked to come teach a class. Can discuss if that's something the group would like to do again.
- d. The city now has battery recycling – will be in the lobby of city hall.
- e. Got another call about a shred day.
- f. Would like to look into glass recycling.
- g. Darren Merritt, long time board member, recently passed away. Will have a fundraiser and auction. Could plant a tree next spring with a brick in his name.

10. DISCUSS NEXT MEETING DATE - August 15, 2023, 6 p.m. – alternate secretary needed.

11. ADJOURN TO LITTER INDEX - 6:07 p.m.

These minutes read and approved this _____ day of _____ 2023.

Cassandra Zamoralez, Secretary

Amy Tasto, Chair