

Keep Saraland Beautiful Meeting Minutes October 13, 2016

Members in attendance: Jason Weatherby, Ron Mitchell, Juanita Chandler, Sarah Connell, Gloria Webb, Fred Webb, Britni Rivers, Leona Calhoun, Jimbo Calhoun, Wayne Biggs, Janice Harvison

Juanita opened in prayer.

Minutes from the September meeting were accepted. Ron made the motion and Janice seconded.

Britni gave the Treasurer's report and had one correction. Regions Bank didn't charge the \$3 service fee in August. A new account will be opened at Trustmark Bank where Britni works for simplicity's sake. We finally received the \$1000 reimbursement check from Keep Alabama Beautiful. We need to pay an invoice of \$360 for internet service. Names on the account need to be Jeanette, Jason, and Britni. A motion was made by Juanita and seconded by Fred that North Mobile Internet Service's invoice of \$360 be paid immediately. This was necessary because a budget has not yet been adopted and the bill is due.

Jason gave a President's report. He communicated that his role will be to provide structure and assistance to the committees. He will serve in a support role. New to KSB leadership, he welcomes assistance with Robert's Rules of Order. He also welcomes everyone's input.

Janice discussed creating a flyer to pass out at this Saturday's City Cleanup Day. The flyer would include information about curbside recycling, encouraging residents to sign up. Although it costs \$5 per month, the city has no more than 200 households signed up in a city of 5,000 households. KSB wants to help get that number higher. Janice will talk to the Mayor about this suggestion and get the flyer prepared if it is wanted. Janice also showed a new PSA commercial created for Keep Cincinnati Beautiful.

Jason discussed committees being in charge of projects and the importance of creating timelines once dates are set.

Juanita reported on Adopt a Spot. Adopt-a-Spot sign was approved for Azalea City Coffee (Wayne Biggs) and is set to be delivered any day now. There are a few spots available to be sponsored, and Juanita has ideas who to approach about sponsorship. If need be, Juanita thinks a few more spots can be created fairly easily. There are spots on Jacintoport that no one is taking and Juanita is considering deleting. Adopt a Spot application is now available on the KSB website. Fred Webb started a discussion about the structure of the Adopt a Spot committee. It has its own bank account. To learn more about Adopt a Spot, anyone is welcome to attend the committee's meeting held one week from today at the Chamber.

Ron volunteered for the Clean and Green chairperson. Jason appointed him.

Great American Cleanup was discussed with Sarah. In the planning stages now, the date will be March or April, Carl will talk to the high school representatives about the date and pick locations to work. Preplanning will be key. Jason will do an inventory of the tools we have stored at the high school. Shell will set their budget for this event Monday. Everyone seemed pleased with the food and number of tables provided last year, so we can expect Shell's budget to stay the same. We will definitely need more volunteers picking up bags in trucks with trailers on cleanup day. Janice mentioned previous conversation with Carl about changing up the cleanup day to consider a painting day and that the Woman's Club would be interested in having their building painted if the committee decided to go that route.

Juanita discussed tree planting. There is a \$1000 Alabama Power grant we could apply for. The only place she can think of we need trees is at the ballpark in Spanish Trace. She needs to speak to Joe McDonald about that as the Council member in charge of Parks and Recreation. Discussion of what exactly a Tree City, USA is and Saraland's designation.

Do we need to plant a certain number of trees per year? Juanita will talk to Matthew Lambert, City Planner, to find out the details and how KSB can help.

Yard of the Month was discussed. Janice went over the current criteria and no one suggested changes. The sign is currently being remade and Ron will get it done and to Janice soon. It will not be a metal sign as previously discussed, but a much less expensive campaign-type sign cut into an oval. When this sign gets tattered it will be very economical to replace it. Ron will also get a set of car magnets for Janice to use when scoping YOM. That way neighbors will know she is not casing a neighborhood for theft or attempting to do a drug deal.

Ron reported the Citronelle Lions Club is doing a skeet shooting event at a farm in Citronelle and suggested we think about creative fundraising ideas.

Upcycling Workshop this Saturday with Fred Webb as chairman. Fred will open the building at 9am and meet our speaker Ms. Elizabeth Phillips from the Extension Service. She will do a talk for about an hour. All members bring a door prize (\$10 value) and food item. Britni will bring juice and muffins ahead of time as she cannot attend. Juanita will bring breakfast casserole.

Janice discussed an Earth Day school contest at the Elementary school. Bookmark contest is working well and we will continue with that. If anyone wants to volunteer to do a contest at the Middle school, we can do one there but Janice doesn't want to head up both.

Fred reports the Webmaster is doing a good job, and is anxious to get her paid.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ron and seconded by Fred.