

## Keep Saraland Beautiful Meeting Minutes March 11, 2021

Members in attendance:

Tabitha Phillips

Janice Harvison

Basil Smith

Barbara Sharp

Ron Mitchell

Mildred Blass

Jeanette Greene

President Ron Mitchell opened the meeting with the invocation at 12:05pm. Members read the minutes and Jeanette moved to accept the minutes as written with Barbara seconding. Tabitha gave the Treasurer's Report which included a debit card ready to use by the officers. Ron reported a \$50 donation was made to KSB in memory of Fred and Gloria Webb from the Fletcher family in Southpoint, Ohio.

Janice mentioned the book Made in China that is a good examination of the cheap goods produced by prison labor, and we need to be mindful when shopping. She also mentioned she is accepting household donations for the upcoming Woman's Club rummage sale March 20. Ron filled out the Keep America Beautiful group insurance application online for our upcoming Clean Sweep scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9-12am. This will be a cleanup day for Saraland High School seniors to get community service hours and a free pizza lunch. They will pick up litter along Highway 43 and Celeste Road. KSB will have a sign in sheet and print out certificates for them to pick up. Bags will be gathered in one location and a group photo taken.

Ron announced the April meeting will be held at the newly upgraded Saraland Boat Launch. Everyone bring a lawn chair and a lunch if you want it. In case of rain we will meet at the Chamber as usual. We will take a look around the launch area to appreciate the new work and scope out a location that we may add a park bench.

Mildred made a motion that KSB purchase a large banner, around 3' by 12' with aluminum stakes to be used to publicize events. She asked that the purchase price not exceed \$300. Barbara seconded and the motion passed.

Tabitha will identify paid members and give a membership report at the next meeting.

Basil is happy with the webmaster's work, and he will acquire a quarterly website hit list to add to the minutes.

Ron asked that members identify beautification events that are happening in Saraland we could financially support. If others are already doing good things, KSB would like to help them. Barbara reported the Yard of the Month for March is at 15 West Everett, the home of Suzanne and Felix Stewart, III. They have an amazing century plant and beautifully blooming Japanese magnolia.

Ron will email a video link regarding worldwide climate change that members should watch. Janice will invite Kris from Keep Mobile Beautiful to our May meeting since April will be outdoors. She will share about the new litter program they are beginning.

Jeanette made a motion to adjourn at 1:05 and Mildred seconded.