

# Keep Saraland Beautiful

## Meeting Minutes, February 13, 2020

### Members in Attendance:

Fred Webb	Juanita Chandler
Gloria Webb	Janice Harvison
Jimbo Calhoun	Wayne Biggs
Leona Calhoun	Barbara Sharp
Basil Smith	Ron Mitchell

Ron Mitchell opened the meeting at 12:10pm. Wayne Biggs asked a blessing.

Ron needs a list of paid and unpaid members for 2020. The Treasurer can provide this list.

Basil Smith made a motion to accept the January 2020 minutes, and Barbara Sharp seconded.

Ron gave the Treasurer's Report in Britni Rivers-Robinson's absence. He reported checks written to The Woman's Club (donation), Keep America Beautiful (dues), and Saraland Civic Forum (dues). Janice Harvison reported on the Woman's Club building progress and thanked the group for the donation. \$3,089.33 is the current balance.

Janice gave the Executive Director Report. She got into our storage shed and found a lot of ants she will go back and treat. She got a bucket of cleanup supplies for the man who lives behind Big Lots and will deliver them. She has car litter bags and bookmarks from the shed for members to take home.

Ron gave the President's Report. He presented our Annual Report at the City Council meeting last month, and it has been posted on the website. The website hit report was delivered by Jackie Benson, our website designer/maintenance person. The most popular page was the Yard of the Month, then recycling (which needs refreshing), the calendar page, then the yard sign page. There were 3100 hits this month, with 109 per day. He is working on the palm tree plan. They are \$385 per tree planted. He has commitments for 26. Five are already planted in an Adopt a Spot and have plans to replace 2 crape myrtles with palms at the Welcome sign at the Chickasaw border. Ron is contacting people one on one to buy trees for their businesses. He is still working on the new Adopt a Spot on the west side of I65. Juanita Chandler has a packet with requirements for Adopt a Spot that she will share with Ron.

Barbara Sharp gave the Yard of the Month Report. She had a hard time finding a suitable yard in January but found a February yard on Celeste Road, the home of the Bakers. It has blooming plants and Mardi Gras decorations. Barbara mentioned she has started using a document to hang on the door of a potential YOM home when no one answers. It provides her contact information for the homeowner to call back for YOM consideration.

Fred Webb discussed the Garden Workshop and plans to have it April 11 with James Miles, and the group asked for the topic of foundation plantings, bushes and perennials, including container planting. Janice suggested a Bear Seminar could be done at some time with Thomas Harms from Five Rivers like the Woman's Club held, and it was discussed to do that in the fall. Fred wants to back out of the committees he is on, and turned over the website to Basil. The Garden Workshops starting with the fall will be handled by someone else with Janice's help.

Juanita gave a Tree Planting Report. She says crape myrtle pruning should be done from ground level to 36" high only. She talked with Logan Anderson about the Alabama Power grant and he will submit it once they have the appropriate paperwork. She wants to use the money to plant more crape myrtles on Hwy 158 and says the City is supposed to maintain whatever we plant. Ron believes differently. She is going to get a maintenance agreement in writing. Ron would like to use the money toward palms. This issue will be taken up at the next meeting. She wants a sprinkler system added at the Hwy 158 welcome sign and will get a price. Juanita made a motion to replant flowers at the Hwy 158 welcome sign with \$200 from the group. Basil seconded and the motion passed.

Fred has the information to submit the IRS 990N and will do it in the next few days for 2019.

Janice reported that the Funky Junky Art Show contest is being considered by Principal Crane at Saraland Middle School and she will call to find out if he agrees to it.

Wayne reported there is a Senate bill 142 being pushed by Chris Elliott from Baldwin County regarding extraterritorial planning being abolished. Currently cities have a three mile planning radius outside their limits which is also the police jurisdiction. This means construction in that radius must comply with the city's building codes. This new bill would abolish this process, allowing potentially substandard construction that will eventually be grandfathered in to a city's limits when annexation takes place. Wayne will get members the phone numbers to call and let our state senators know we are against this bill.

Wayne made a motion to adjourn and Basil seconded.

Monthly Statistics for January 2020		
Total Hits	3172	
Total Files	2730	
Total Pages	1624	
Total Visits	506	
Total KBytes	127904	
Total Unique Sites	32	
Total Unique URLs	120	
Total Unique Referrers	79	
Total Unique User Agents	203	
	Avg	Max
Hits per Hour	4	83
Hits per Day	109	177
Files per Day	94	164
Pages per Day	56	100
Sites per Day	1	6
Visits per Day	17	22
KBytes per Day	4410	10878

Top 10 of 15 Total Entry Pages					
#	Hits		Visits		URL
1	643	20.27%	286	56.97%	/
2	149	4.70%	33	6.57%	<a href="#">/programs.htm</a>
3	78	2.46%	21	4.18%	<a href="#">/yard of the month.htm</a>
4	72	2.27%	19	3.78%	<a href="#">/recycling.htm</a>
5	64	2.02%	17	3.39%	<a href="#">/calendar.htm</a>
6	74	2.33%	16	3.19%	<a href="#">/about us.htm</a>
7	47	1.48%	16	3.19%	<a href="#">/yard sign.htm</a>
8	58	1.83%	15	2.99%	<a href="#">/bookmark contest.htm</a>
9	51	1.61%	15	2.99%	<a href="#">/saraland boulevard.htm</a>
10	66	2.08%	13	2.59%	<a href="#">/contact us.htm</a>