

Keep Saraland Beautiful

Meeting minutes January 13, 2022

Members in attendance: Ron Mitchell, Steven Venable, Jeanette Greene, Barbara Sharp, Mildred Blass, and Janice Harvison. Guest Ian Cantrell from the City's Planning Department

Ron called the meeting to order at noon. He introduced Mr. Cantrell, the City Planner. He described how Saraland is growing and has 21 projects on the Planning Commission's agenda this month. A new initiative will be voted on at an upcoming Council meeting, a tree protection ordinance. This will potentially create a tree bank. The goal is to allow mediation, regulation, and balance to manage the growth of the city. Mr. Cantrell also reported that the city received a grant for \$2,000 for signage and is looking into the welcome sign at the Chickasaw border as well as the one at Exit 13.

Jeanette made a motion to approve the November 2021 minutes and Mildred seconded. Motion passed.

Ron will place an order for small bags for KSB to give away that are exactly like the ones the Chamber recently purchased. Steven made a motion to spend up to \$250 for the bags and Barbara seconded. Motion passed.

Barbara gave the Beautification Award to Taco Bell, and the manager/owner was very excited to receive it. It will next be awarded the first week of March. The Yard of the Month for December was awarded to Christopher West at 3601 Dawson Drive.

The My Little Spartan group is taking on an adopt a spot at \$100 per year to maintain themselves. The Lions Club gave the group its spot and will move to the industrial park.

Steven is looking to bring attention to the Facebook page and considering a giveaway. Maybe choose a random commenter to collect a free plant at our next meeting. We need engagement to encourage people to attend our meetings. He can add drone photos.

Ron answered a website inquiry for shredding.

Next month's speaker will be Matt Armbruster, founder of Ransom Ministries in Chickasaw. One component of the ministry is electronics recycling.

Mildred made a motion to adjourn and Jeanette seconded. Motion passed.