

## KEEP SARALAND BEAUTIFUL

June 9, 2016

President Ron Mitchell called the meeting to order and Wayne Biggs led in prayer. A light lunch was served. Twelve members were present.

Fred Webb moved that the minutes be approved as submitted to members on line. Leesa Vrocher seconded the motion and it passed.

Ron Mitchell gave his President's report and stated that his year will end on October 1. Ron also announced the members of the nominating committee which are Ron Mitchell, Jason Wetherby, Mildred Blass, Jeanette Greene, and Janice Harvison. After naming the nominating committee, Ron stated that in place of the July meeting, since there will be none, the nominating committee will meet at the Chamber as if there were a meeting.

Janice Harvison reported that Keep America Beautiful had sent us coupons for bottled water. However, we had no use for them at this time so we donated them to the YMCA for their run in October.

Janice also reported that Fred Webb had worked on the weed eater that was out of shape and got it running. It just needs to be restrung.

Janice reported that we know where we will store our tools and Ron added that there are some things to take into consideration that we need to get a definite answer for. There are questions that are unanswered. Who will be building the storage unit? Does Keep Saraland Beautiful need to pay half? To what extent is the city going to participate?

Janice reported on the Bookmark contest conducted at the elementary school. We had 15 winners from the 350 participants ranging from Kindergarten to fourth grade. Pictures were submitted to the press. Fred Webb takes a moment to ask if the children's pictures should just blatantly be released into the public. However Janice Harvison notified Fred Webb that there was a consent form signed by the kids who entered the contest.

Briefly Janice Harvison and Newton Cromer touched base on the Bear Seminar held on June 2 and sponsored by the Saraland Women's Club. The seminar was a success with roughly 25 people in attendance. However, only one first responder was present. Newton Cromer suggested that we do another Bear Seminar for the first responders. Ron Mitchell added that if we change the day of the seminar we would get more people as there are more meetings on Thursdays. Monday night was the greatest suggestion.

Yard of the Month was the next topic that Janice touched base on. She gave everyone in attendance a handout of suggested yards to be awarded. Matthew Lambert printed the city limits map for us to base the award off of. Newton Cromer suggested that we section off the city into seven or eight zones and pick one per area per month and pick a yard within those premises to win the award.

The matter of residents keeping back yard chickens came up. Newton Cromer stated that the chicken ordinance was just updated four years ago. With that being said, Ron Mitchell noted that it needed to be updated every four years and that we need to compare other city ordinances to our own and go from there. Wayne Biggs said that we need to approach the planning commission.

Ron reported that the Adopt-a-Spot is going well. The next meeting is July 7. Newton Cromer asked about business of the month and Ron Mitchell said that they get graded once a year.

Yard of the Month committee is hard at work. Please give them suggestions if you have one.

Kristen Warren reported for Leesa Vrocher on recycling bins at the McAurthor-McKinney Recreation Center. Ron Mitchell and Newton Cromer both agreed that we need to decide on a removal plan for the recycling bins and what exactly can be recycled in those bins.

Joan Weldy stated we have 18 members.

Webmaster Fred Webb reported that Jackie Bensen is doing a good job on our webpage.

Facebook: Britni Rivers was not present. As far as we know everything is going well.

Old Business: Jason Weatherby IRS-Reinstate 501-c3

New Business: For the KAB meeting October 12-14, the officers attending will be Janice Harvison and Juanita Chandler and KSB will be paying for the hotel.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirsten Warren.