

MINUTES
KEEP KAUFMAN BEAUTIFUL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2006 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 209 SOUTH WASHINGTON, KAUFMAN, TEXAS

CHAIRMAN
VICE CHAIRMAN
BOARD MEMBER
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CAROLYN LONG
LISA PARKER
SHANA HOLDER
ELAINE MARUSAK
KARLA CHANDLER
MARY RENE CLINE
JANICE LINDSEY

1. **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:**

Chairman Long called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Board Members present were Shana Holder, Janice Lindsey, Carolyn Long and Elaine Marusak. Board Member Mary Rene Cline arrived at 6:17 p.m. Board Members absent were Lisa Parker and Karla Chandler. Board Secretary Cindy Kintz was also present. Sharla Bain-Vrzalik, Jennifer Mitchell, a TVCC student, and her friend were in the audience.

CONSENT ITEM(S):

“All matters listed under the Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Keep Kaufman Beautiful Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE KEEP KAUFMAN BEAUTIFUL BOARD'S REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2006.

3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE KEEP KAUFMAN BEAUTIFUL BOARD'S WORK SESSION MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2006.

Chairman Long questioned the statement, "All matters listed under the Consent Agenda. . ." Board Secretary Cindy Kintz explained this statement only meant Agenda Items #2 and #3 may be considered and approved together by the Board instead of each item being considered separately. Chairman Long read the statement aloud to the Board. Board Member Lindsey made a motion, seconded by Board Member Holder, to approve as written the minutes of the Keep

Kaufman Beautiful Board's regular monthly meeting held on Thursday, March 2, 2006, and the work session meeting held on Friday, March 10, 2006. Chairman Long called for a vote with all present Board Members voting AYE. The motion carried.

Chairman Long moved to Agenda Item #6 in consideration of Mrs. Bain-Vrzalik.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

4. RECEIVE A REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN LONG REGARDING THE BOARD BECOMING AN ENVIRONMENTAL CO-OP AFFILIATE, HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION.

Chairman Long informed the Board the cost of becoming a member of the Environmental Co-op was only \$25. Chairman Long stated she had the membership application but had left it at her office. After a brief discussion, Chairman Long made a motion, seconded by Board Member Holder, for the Board to become a member of Environmental Co-op in Terrell, Texas. Chairman Long called for a vote with all present Board Members voting AYE. The motion carried. Chairman Long stated she would like to invite Mrs. Marilyn May of Environmental Co-op to one of the Board's meetings later on in the year.

5. RECEIVE A REPORT, HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING THE NEXT RECIPIENTS (ONE BUSINESS AND ONE RESIDENT) TO RECEIVE THE BOARD'S LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

After a brief discussion, Board Member Marusak made a motion, seconded by Board Member Cline, nominating the Kaufman County Credit Union located at 315 East Fair Street as the business recipient to receive the Board's Letter of Acknowledgment. Chairman Long called for a vote with all present Board Members voting AYE. The motion carried.

Chairman Long made a motion, seconded by Board Member Marusak, nominating the residence of 100 Oak Street as the resident recipient to receive the Board's Letter of Acknowledgment. Chairman Long called for a vote with all present Board Members voting AYE. The motion carried.

6. RECEIVE A REPORT, HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING THE FOURTH ANNUAL JULY 4TH CELEBRATION PARADE.

Board Secretary Cindy Kintz reported she had mailed letters of invitation to twenty-five (25) to thirty (30) dignitaries. The dignitaries ranged from Governor Perry to all four (4) commissioners of Kaufman County. Chairman Long questioned why she was not notified to sign the letters since she was the chairman of the Board. Mrs. Kintz stated she was only carrying out the Board's instructions from the previous meeting and that was to prepare and mail the letters to the dignitaries as soon as possible. Board Member Marusak asked if

the same dignitaries from last year's list were sent a letter. Mrs. Kintz responded by saying yes.

Chairman Long informed the Board she had spoken with the new staff sergeant of the Kaufman National Guard while she was in the post office one day. According to Chairman Long, the staff sergeant commented the National Guard wanted to participate in the parade in a bigger way this year compared to years past.

Chairman Long acknowledged Mrs. Bain Vrzalik and had her address the Board on why she was present. Mrs. Bain Vrzalik explained, while in attendance at the Fall Festival Committee meeting held on Tuesday, April 4th, a July 4th motorcycle rally was discussed. Mrs. Bain Vrzalik was unsure whether she could coordinate the rally in a two-in-a-half (2½) month time frame. A discussion was held over the motorcycle rally. Chairman Long advised Mrs. Bain Vrzalik to speak with Commander Royce "Ugly" Hobbs of the American Legion Post #165. Mrs. Kintz advised Mrs. Bain Vrzalik to speak with Director of Public Works Richard Underwood about reserving Shannon Park for the event. After the motorcycle rally discussion had concluded, Mrs. Bain Vrzalik left the meeting.

Chairman Long questioned whether or not anyone from the American Legion had been contacted. Mrs. Kintz reported there was nothing new since her last conversation with Commander Hobbs, which Chairman Long had already been made aware of. Mrs. Kintz informed the other Board Members she had spoken with Commander Hobbs after last month's meeting. Commander Hobbs informed her the Board would need to organize the staging area the morning of the parade. Commander Hobbs also stated the American Legion would obtain Dr. Costello's flatbed trailer used for the review stand. Chairman Long questioned the American Legion Color Guard's participation in the parade. Mrs. Kintz informed Chairman Long the Color Guard would still lead off the parade as they had for the previous three years. Mrs. Kintz explained the American Legion was going through some changes since the death of Commander Lieblong. Mr. Hobbs was named as commander until the Legion held their nominations and elections for officers in May. Chairman Long questioned Commander Hobbs' response to the Board honoring the memory of former Commander Dane Lieblong during the parade. Mrs. Kintz stated Commander Hobbs was pleased with the Board's idea. Chairman Long questioned whether or not Commander Lieblong's wife had been written a letter informing her how the Board was planning on honoring the memory of her husband during the parade. Mrs. Kintz stated she had not written Mrs. Lieblong a letter for this was the first time she had heard anything about a letter. Mrs. Kintz asked for Mrs. Lieblong's first name and address. Chairman Long stated she had the information at her office and would provide it to her on the following Monday (April 10th). Chairman Long directed Mrs. Kintz to invite members of the American Legion to the Board's May 4th meeting.

The Board moved to Agenda Item #4.

7. RECEIVE A REPORT, HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING IMPLEMENTING A CELLULAR PHONE RECYCLING PROGRAM.

Board Member Holder explained she was visiting Keep Texas Beautiful's website and noticed a cellphone recycling program where you could get as much as \$90 per cellphone. After a brief discussion, all the Board Members present agreed the Board should implement the cellular phone recycling program. The Board directed Board Secretary Cindy Kintz to register the Board for the program on-line through Keep Texas Beautiful's website.

8. RECEIVE A REPORT, HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING THE BOARD'S BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT OF THE VACANT LOT LOCATED IN THE 300 BLOCK OF SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET.

Chairman Long informed the Board City Council approved of the Board's beautification project of the vacant lot located next to City Hall at their meeting held on March 20th. The only stipulation City Council had was the Board could not name it a park or a garden. Chairman Long asked Board Secretary Cindy Kintz for assistance explaining why the Board could not name the lot a park or garden. Mrs. Kintz informed the Board once public property is labeled as a park or garden it takes an election of the voters to utilize the property for anything else. Chairman Long added Director of Public Works Richard Underwood and Development Services Director Terry Capehart believe the vacant lot could be the site of the City's new city hall some day.

The Board began discussing other names to call the lot. Mrs. Kintz suggested Kaufman Plaza. Chairman Long suggested Plaza Verdé. The Board agreed on renaming the lot La Plaza Verdé.

Chairman Long shared her photos of wooden pavilions made by Roger Allen. She stated the cost of one of the pavilions she brought a photo of was around \$1,000.00. She commented his wife, Glenna, would be a good person to speak to about designing a pavilion for the lot. Chairman Long also shared her visit with the owner of Fence Supply Inc. on Highway 80 in between Forney and Sunnyvale.

9. HOLD A DISCUSSION AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING THE *KKB GARDEN PARTY AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE* EVENT TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 13, (CITY ELECTION DAY) FROM 2:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

Chairman Long informed the Board Susan Rogers with the Master Gardeners would like to give a lecture at the garden party. After a brief discussion, the Board decided to have a work session meeting on Monday evening, April 24, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to make final arrangements for the garden party and membership drive.

10. REQUESTS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE KEEP KAUFMAN BEAUTIFUL BOARD.

A. BOARD MEMBER LINDSEY - COURTHOUSE SQUARE HAND RAILINGS

Board Member Lindsey informed the Board the three hand railings the Board purchased plus the hand railing her and her husband donated were installed on the square.

Chairman Long directed Board Secretary Cindy Kintz to write a letter to the Forney juvenile officer that had his probationers picking up the Courthouse Square the entire week-end the movie was being filmed there. Mrs. Kintz asked for the officer's name and address. Chairman Long stated she would get the information to her on the following Monday (April 10th).

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE BOARD SECRETARY.

Board Secretary Cindy Kintz announced the annual Kaufman County Clean Up event would be held on May 18, 19 & 20 this year.

A. DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL'S *GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP* (EVENTS HELD MARCH THRU MAY)
2. NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY (APRIL 21 - 23)
3. EARTH DAY (APRIL 22)
4. TEXAS ARBOR DAY (APRIL 28)

In regards to Agenda Item #11.A.4, Texas Arbor Day (April 28), Chairman Long informed the Board the boulder was in place amongst the grove of trees at the Kaufman Sports Complex and the plaque was donated by Jim's Trophies in Garland. Chairman Long directed Board Secretary Cindy Kintz to contact Jeanie Davis, managing editor for the Kaufman Herald, to see if Ms. Davis would take a picture of all the Board Members amongst the grove of trees for a publicity photo on Friday, April 28th, to be placed in the newspaper.

12. ADJOURNMENT.

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Long made a motion, seconded by Board Member Holder, to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m. with all present Board Members in agreement.

LISA PARKER, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

CINDY KINTZ, BOARD SECRETARY