



Keep Marshall Beautiful Board Meeting Minutes

Marshall Public Library Board Room

June 11, 2024

1. Call to Order by Cheryel Carpenter at 4:40 pm. Board members in attendance were Lillian Banks, Cheryel Carpenter, Judi Journey, Linda Scott, and Nita Wylie. Also in attendance was city staff liaison Anna Lane, Director of Community & Neighborhood Services.
2. There were no presentations or remarks from the public.
3. The May 7, 2024 minutes were approved unanimously upon a motion by Lillian and second by Judi with one notation that Nita and husband Dean supplied and planted the petunias along the 100 block of Houston.
4. Anna shared that the Keep Texas Beautiful regional workshop in Lufkin was successful and distributed goodies from the meeting to members. On Friday, June 14, there will be a Community Parknership meeting initiated by the Parks departments for non-profits, businesses, civic groups and others to learn more about collaborative opportunities. Board members voted to cancel the July meeting due to the Independence Day holiday.
5. Members voted on the July residential and commercial Yard of the Month winners as follows:
Residential: Donald Scott (4102 Leland St.)
Commercial: Holloway Carpet (607 W. Pinecrest)

Due to the lack of a July meeting, members were encouraged to send in Yard of the Month nominations mid-July to be voted on at the August meeting.
6. The 2024 Work Plan was reviewed with discussions centering around the Young Texas Ambassador program geared to young adults ages 15-25 as well as the Litter in Schools Education program. Board members were encouraged to think about ways and schools who might be willing to implement an inaugural litter education program. The community garden receives mowing every two weeks and within the next week, KMB members will weed and tidy up their plot.
7. Cheryel shared that Alene White resigned from the Keep Marshall Beautiful board. With this, there are two vacancies. Members were encouraged to think of individuals who might be willing to serve.

Nita showed a trailing vinca vine that she proposed to replace the bubblegum petunias. She recommended that in the fall, petunias be placed in the planters on Houston St. The Board agreed to the purchase up to \$50 of summer plants for the pots. Discussion followed about partnerships with businesses on Main Street for beautification efforts.
8. Upon a motion made by Lillian and second by Judi, the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm.