

Minutes of the Keep Richwood Beautiful Commission

The Keep Richwood Beautiful Commission called Meeting of May 4, 2021

BE IT KNOWN THAT, a Keep Richwood Beautiful Commission of City of Richwood was held May 4, 2021, beginning at 6:00 PM PM in the Richwood City Hall, located at 1800 Brazosport Blvd. N, Richwood, Texas 77531.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Brittany Figaro:	Present
Sonia Foger:	Present
Janet Jackson-Ellis:	Present
Audrey Johnson:	Present
Tara Riley:	Absent
Becky Thompson:	Present
Lindsie Yearsin:	Absent

Also present: Kimberly Mayer, Executive Director; Kirsten Garcia, City Secretary

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

IV. REPORT ON RECENT EVENTS

A. Earth Day, April 17

Kimberly reported there were:

6 adult volunteers

29 children served

Discussion held on turn out compared to last year and goals for next year.

Discussion held on what other committees did to celebrate.

Discussion held on ideas for next year.

B. Don't Mess with Texas Trash Off, April 10

Brittany stated she felt the turn-out was great, and she was impressed with the lack of trash found on 288.

Discussion held on supplies needed for future clean-ups.

V. UPCOMING EVENTS

A. May Parks Clean Up, May 8

Meeting at Bobby Ford Park at 9:45 am

Kimberly reported that Public Works has already power washed the signs and removed the dead trees and worked on the play scapes.

B. Yard of the Month

Audrey will select this month's yard of the month.

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Discuss and consider date to reschedule the Waterways Clean Up

Brittany suggested combining the waterways clean up with hurricane preparedness.

June 12, from 8-10am

Kim stated she would get with the staff, plan to meet at City Hall.

Discussion held on promo items and how to engage the community.

B. Discuss and consider implementing a Grow Bag Program.

Kimberly stated she hasn't had time to fully research but will bring this back at another meeting.

C. Discuss and consider changing to non-profit 501(c)3 status.

Kimberly reported the details to becoming 501c3 - costs, time and reasoning why. She requested committee just discuss and save action for next month.

Discussion held on how it would affect the committees operations.

Discussion held on other organizations that could possibly assist in the process.

D. Discuss and consider ideas for local school outreach to STEM programs.

E. Discuss and consider possible homeschool outreach.

F. Discuss and consider ideas for crafts for kids.

Brittany presented items D, E, & F all together - advised members to reach out to schools with stem projects - it helps the schools with their learning plans.

She presented an idea of possibly hosting a camp for kids or videos during the month of a member completing a craft that the kids can then complete on their own at home. She added that we should focus on programs that are geared towards children - especially when the GCAA focuses a lot on youth enrichment.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

Audrey presented the financial report.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kimberly reported on:

Scenic City update

GCAA, won 2nd place

Budget Workshop, May 21, 10 am

KTB Conference, coming up. June 29-31

Community Garden update - 74.5 lb veg donated, a&m agrilife extension donated 27 tomato and pepper plants, 22 bag fertilizer donated

Memorial Day May 31 - flags on May 27 meet at 8:30 am

Green bag grant - meeting with Clif for final run through of where irrigation will be

IX. ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

No report.

X. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

June 1, 2021

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Water bottles

Discussion on plants the died during the freeze

City wide Garage sale

Pop up park days

Adopt a spot

Grow bag program

Yard of the month

Summer workshop

City sign clean up

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Being there no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

These minutes were read and approved on this 6th day of July 2021.

ATTEST:

Chairman