

The Open Space, Beautification and Preservation Committee of the City of Seabrook met on Thursday, March 1, 2012 at Seabrook City Hall, 1700 First Street, Seabrook, Texas to discuss, consider and if appropriate, take action on the items listed below.

THOSE PRESENT WERE:

SALLY ANTROBUS	VICE CHAIR
HELEN BURTON	CHAIR
HEATHER CABLE	MEMBER
JOHN COGGESHALL	MEMBER
DEBRA HARPER	MEMBER
KAREN TISDEL	MEMBER
MEREDITH BRANT	ASSISTANT CITY SECRETARY

Chair Helen Burton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Burton stated that she had spoken with Mr. Chairez about the playground at Pine Gully Park and he said that he would like for the existing equipment to remain in place as long as possible. This will allow the park to accommodate children for as long as possible during the busy season.

2.0 NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Expand Wish List to include Pine Gully Park projects.

Ms. Cable asked that the wish list include more expansion of the work in Pine Gully Park as funds become available.

Ms. Burton stated that this item can be included on the action items checklist.

2.2 Update on the purchase of deer resistant plants for Carothers Gardens and other parks.

Ms. Burton stated that the plants had been purchased, Mr. Coggeshall planted them and so far, they have not been eaten by the deer. She stated that she plans to fertilize the plants tomorrow.

Ms. Antrobus stated that she will pick up the key in order to access the greenhouse at Carothers for fertilizer for the plants.

2.3 Consider the various aspects of a managed meadow at Wildlife Park.

There was discussion concerning possible plants/grasses that would be appropriate for a meadow. Ms. Tisdell will contact Armand Bayou for additional information and advice and make it available at the April meeting. Other

considerations included having Mr. Coggeshall make a sign for the meadow, install QR code on the sign and come up with verbiage for the sign.

2.4 Update on Robinson Park project of clearing out dead and invasive plants.

Ms. Cable stated that the area around the gazebo had been cleaned out and she would like to proceed with installing new plants.

Motion was made by Ms. Cable and seconded by Ms. Antrobus

To plant lantana, spider lilies, butterfly grass and verbena in the cleared area.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

2.5 Consider presentation to Rotary for seeking funding for the natural playground at Pine Gully Park. Helen Burton and Heather Cable would make this presentation.

Ms. Burton stated that she and Heather will be making a presentation to the Seabrook Rotary Club on Thursday, March 15 at 7:00 a.m. at Lakewood Yacht Club. She asked that a notice be posted in the event there is a quorum of committee members.

2.6 Consider additional solicitations for funding of the natural playground at Pine Gully Park.

Ms. Cable stated that she would like to meet with someone from Gulf Coast Limestone concerning rocks and boulders and recommendations for the park.

The committee discussed sending letters to various entities/organizations to seek funding. Members will make phone calls to determine the proper contact person.

3.0 OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Update on proposed staff appreciation luncheon. (Antrobus)

Ms. Antrobus stated that the plans for the luncheon are in place and she will make certificates of appreciation for the city employees. She asked Ms. Brant to check on the procedure for getting the key to the house for set-up.

4.0 ROUTINE BUSINESS

4.1 Approve minutes of the February 2, 2012 meeting.

91 Motion was made by Ms. Antrobus and seconded by Mr. Coggeshall

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93 To approve the minutes as written.

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95 MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

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97 **4.2 Consider Action Items Checklist which is attached and made a part of this**
98 **agenda.**

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100 No action was taken on this item.

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102 **4.3 Consider agenda items and establish future meeting dates.**

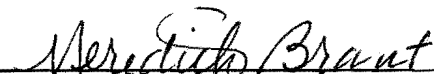
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104 The next meeting will be April 5 and agenda items will include:

- 105 • Update on presentation to Rotary
- 106 • Update on managed meadow
- 107 • Playground solicitations/donations
- 108 • Progress at Robinson Park

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110 Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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112 APPROVED THIS 5th DAY OF APRIL, 2012.

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