

Keep Lexington Beautiful Commission
Aug. 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes
9:00 a.m., Council Conference Room, 5th Floor, 200 E. Main St.

Members present: Amy Sohner, Angela Poe, Thad Scott, George Ely, Mark York, Patricia Knight, Peggy Henson, Chris Schnelle and Blake Eames. Guests: Esther Moberly and Lauren Monahan, LFUCG Waste Management.

In the absence of Chair Jim Pendergest, Vice-Chair Chris Schnelle called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Motion was made by Patricia Knight, second by Peggy Henson, to approve the June 25, 2014 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: Patricia Knight presented the Financial Report: since April KLB had the following disbursements:

\$443 for AmericMark Direct.(items for Reforest the Bluegrass)
\$426.82 AmericMark Direct (seed packets for Reforest)
\$66 Johnson Landscaping for mulch for the Legacy Trail planting bed.

\$3348.43 has been encumbered for the Wolf Run project and an invoice is expected soon for \$575 for work done on property on the creek. The Commission has received a check for \$2,000 from Keep America Beautiful for the CLPP with LexTran; that check is being deposited into our account.

As of Aug. 6, KLB had a balance of \$12,944.02

Motion was made by Peggy Henson, second by Angela Poe, to accept the Financial Report.

Old Business:

A. Report: Thursday Night Live Outreach: Patricia Knight and Peggy Henson reported on the cigarette litter outreach at Thursday Night Live on July 31. Several hundred pocket ash trays were distributed to smokers at the event.

B. Legacy Trail maintenance: Mark York reported that he, Jim and George conducted maintenance on the planting bed in June. There were fewer weeds and more mulch was placed in the bed. Mark indicated that with recent heavy rains some of the mulch has been washed away and should be replaced later this fall.

C. Update: Sponsorship of Great American Cleanup/Republic Services: Mark reported there has been no further contact from Republic Services.

D. CLPP: LexTran project report: Peggy Henson reported on the meeting with Rocky Burke from LexTran in July, also attended by Mark and David Elson. LexTran agreed

that KLB should pursue the grant. Mark reported that he and David had visited the Transit Center to look at possible locations for the ash urns.

E. Strategic Plan/subcommittees: There were no subcommittee reports; Chris Schnelle has scheduled a Program Subcommittee meeting for Sept. 25, 1:30 p.m. at the West Sector Roll Call building on Old Frankfort Pike.

F. Litter Citations: Mark reported that he has received 2 more litter citations issued by the Div. of Police; Chris reported that his section is now using the citations as a deterrent for citizens attempting to discard containers of alcohol. Mark also reported that his division is looking into the possibility of LFUCG purchasing access to the motor vehicle database. The agreement would be a signed contract and would require council approval.

New Business:

A. Annual report submittal: Mark reported that he had submitted documents to Keep America Beautiful as part of KLB's annual report. The report is a requirement for KLB to remain in good standing with Keep America Beautiful.

B. By-Laws amendment: Mark reported that council had approved the request to amend the KLB ordinance to add a 14th position to the commission, another at-large seat. A motion was made by George Ely, second by Peggy Henson, to amend the KLB By-Laws to add a 14th position to the commission, another at-large seat. The motion passed unanimously.

Mark and Patricia reported they had a conversation with Kevin Bazner, President and CEO of A & W Restaurants, regarding the vacant seat on the commission to be filled by someone from the beverage/fast food industry. Mark has sent an email to Mr. Bazner but has not received a response. Mark also indicated he had been given a contact name at Chick-fil-A but has not attempted to contact the person.

C. America Recycles Day: Mark reported that registration was open for ARD events. The Div. of Waste Management is making plans for another paper shred event for ARD, which will be on Saturday, Nov. 15.

D. Richmond Road maintenance: Mark indicated he would perform an inspection of the Richmond Road project area to determine if a fall maintenance event should be scheduled.

F. **NEXT MEETING:** Chris noted that the next KLB meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Oct. 16, 2014.

G. Adjournment: A motion was made by Patricia Knight, second by Angela Poe, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Keep Lexington Beautiful's mission is to engage individuals, businesses and organizations within Fayette County to take personal responsibility for improving our environment.