

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
City of Leon Valley

24 June 2015

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting

1. OPENING OF MEETING: The Chair, Mayor Riley, opened the meeting at 5:34 p.m. on 24 June 2015 at the Leon Valley Public Library.
  
2. ATTENDANCE:  
Members Present: Donna Charles, Lupe Carpio, Carolyn Diaz, Shirley Jonas, Lyn Joseph, Jerry Perales, Chris Riley  
Members Absent: None  
Guests Present: None
  
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of last meeting, 28 May 2015, were approved as written.
  
4. FOLLOWUP ON PREVIOUS AGENDA TOPICS:
  - CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FLOWER POT DONATION-The Mayor sent a message to the City of San Antonio that due to the weight and inability to easily manage the flower pots, the City of Leon Valley declined the donation offer. No response has been received to date.
  - POTS, SOIL, PLANTS AND DELIVERY-Discussion took place as to whether flower pots may be purchased through the Co-Op Program. The Mayor will check this source and if not, a decision will be made to purchase them locally. The members shared photos, sources, and prices of flower pots and soil. A target time for delivery of pots and planting has been set for October; therefore funds will be used to purchase the pots, soil, and plants beforehand. It is anticipated that ten pots would be needed to begin the program.
  - VOLUNTEER GROUPS TO ASSIST WITH DELIVERY AND PLANTING EFFORTS-Several groups were mentioned as likely sources of assistance on the day of delivery and planting. As soon as a date is set, contacts will be made.
  - BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS- Ms. Charles offered to speak with the manager of Sunset Station to determine if he/she would accept the responsibility of caring for planted pots at that location. Since effort has been placed into painting the building, the addition of greenery may be readily acceptable. In addition, Applewhite Auto Shop has already agreed to accept a planted pot.
  - BUSINESS AGREEMENT REGARDING THE CARE AND MAINTENACE OF PLANTED FLOWER POTS-The Attorney has not ruled on the agreement as of this date.
  
5. GENERAL DISCUSSION:
  - PLANTING THE BANDERA MEDIAN-Ms. Joseph offered to contribute Larkspur seeds if the members would assist in harvesting them. They, then, could be


sprinkled in the Bandera median in September or early October. Additional information will be obtained from Ms. Joseph in order to assist with this effort.

- VETERANS MEMORIAL PLANTING-Ms. Joseph proposed finding an appropriate place to plant flowers of red, white, and blue for a veterans' memorial to coincide with other veterans' recognition projects. This topic will be discussed at the next meeting.
- BULK PICKUP-It is felt that the printed information mailed and/or posted regarding bulk pickup requires some clarification so that residents know what is expected. Bring printed material and discuss at the next meeting.
- CITY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CODE-The members felt that the code requires enhancement so that Code Enforcement may work with property owners to make positive changes. Discuss procedures to enhance the City Code at the next meeting.
- GRAFFITI ISSUES-Discussed if anything can be done to prevent graffiti and how quickly can removal be accomplished. Mr. Perales stated that the guidelines come from the State; however locally, as soon as graffiti is noticed, an attempt to remove it is made, and very quickly it returns.

6. MEMBERS' EMAILS:

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7. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:25p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 15 July 2015 at 5:30 at the Leon Valley Fire Department.

  
DONNA J. CHARLES  
Secretary