

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING
City of Leon Valley

October 19, 2016

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting

1. **OPENING OF MEETING:** The Chair opened the meeting at 4:25 p.m. on October 19, 2016 at the Leon Valley Fire Department.

2. **ATTENDANCE:**
Members Present: Donna Charles, Carolyn Diaz, Belinda Ealy, Shirley Jonas, Chris Riley, Vickie Wallace
Members Absent: Lupe Carpio, Jean Johnson, Lyn Joseph, Carrie Macias
Guests Present: None

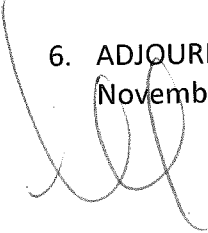
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of last meeting, September 21, 2016, were approved as distributed by email.

4. **GENERAL DISCUSSION:**
 - **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017:** The Mayor reported that the next Neighborhood Renewal Program has been scheduled for February 27, 2017. The home has not been selected as yet. She stated that several organizations and schools are being contacted as possible sources of volunteers. If there is an increase in volunteers, more than one home may be done on the same day. She also stated that Waste Management will be contacted to obtain their support with waste removal.
 - There was a brief of discussion on the Christmas wreaths. The Committee was advised that the old wreaths were being reworked to use in City Hall and that the new, larger green ones with brighter bulbs and ribbons would be placed on the monuments. TX DOT has prohibited the use of lights because they are a distraction to traffic. Hopefully, the new wreaths will be more visible without lights.
 - The Committee discussed options regarding creating a Monarch Butterfly Garden as a project for FY 2017. Several possible locations were discussed with options of planting Milk Weed in watering troughs. In this way, weeds may be eliminated and occasional watering may be easily accomplished. Ms. Wallace will meet with the Public Works Department to discuss locations and using planters. Ms. Charles will research the planting and care of Milk Weed.
 - The Committee also discussed the annual Beautification Awards. The following timeline was set: March-notify and secure the services of judges; April-prejudging assigned to Committee members; May-neighborhoods assigned to judges who will be accompanied by a Committee member; and June-awards will be presented at City Council Meeting.
 - Ms. Jonas advised that the Keep Texas Beautiful conference would be in San Antonio this year and she will provide dates at the next meeting for Committee.

5. MEMBERS' EMAILS:

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6. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2016 at 4:15 p.m. at the Leon Valley Fire Department.



Vickie Wallace
Secretary