# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE CITY HALL PLANNING ROOM-101 N. HALAGUENO 11:00AM June 17, 2021

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mary Garwood, Jeri Strong (Eddy County Oil & Gas Liason/Public Information Officer), Tracy Hughes (Bureau of Land Management), Tina Tiffany (ConocoPhillips), Kat Davis (Pearl of the Pecos/Arts & Culture District Director), Ashly Key (Carlsbad MainStreet Director), and Veronica Barnhart (Carlsbad Resident).

## MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:00 AM

#### 1. Approval of Agenda:

Jeri Strong made a motion to approve the agenda. Tracy Hughes seconded. The vote was as follows: Yes- Jeri Strong, Tracy Hughes, Tina Tiffany, Kat Davis, Ashly Key, and Veronica Barnhart No- None Motion Passes.

## 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting held February 20, 2020:

Jeri Strong made a motion to approve the agenda. Tina Tiffany seconded. The vote was as follows: Yes- Jeri Strong, Tracy Hughes, Tina Tiffany, Kat Davis, Ashly Key, and Veronica Barnhart No-None Motion Passes.

#### 3. Keep Carlsbad Beautiful Feb. 2020- Present Updates:

Mary Garwood presented the committee with the End of the Year FY21 Tonnage Report for litter collected at a total of 34.28 tons. She went on the cover this total is the result of KCB community service efforts, community roll-off placements, KCB youth group clean-up contracts, Boyd Drive Clean-up, Derrick Road Clean-Up, Queen Up the Guads, Riverblitz 2020: Round 2!, Riverblitz 2021, the City/County Spring 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Day, & the recent Downtown Clean-Up! Mary further stated that FY21 has been the busiest year she has experienced in reference to litter issues. Single use plastic use, masks, gloves, and wipes have all entered the waste stream in response to COVID. It is said to be a national and worldwide problem for Keep America Beautiful affiliates and government entities, and programs everywhere that handle litter and solid waste issues. Veronica Barnhart asked about the recent posting on Facebook about the ceasing of use of the glass crusher at the City of Carlsbad Solid Waste Convenience Station. The committee expressed this as a concern to them as well. Tina Tiffany stated that if any safety equipment was needed to run the crusher that ConocoPhillips would be willing to help with those items. Mary stated she would get an update on what the committee may be able to take action on with this to proceed further. Mary then shared with the committee that the City of Carlsbad did obtain a mobile tire shredder from the small town of Thoreau, New Mexico. It was an inter-government donation to the City of Carlsbad as a result of the City of Carlsbad New Mexico Environment Dept. RAID (Recycling and Illegal Dumping) grant.

## 4. MainStreet Update:

Ashly Key gave an update about the Farmers'/Makers' Markets that have been happening every Thursday evening in the Downtown area. She and Kat Davis also updated the committee on the Third Thursday events that have been happening as well on the third Thursday of May and the second one will be this evening. Ashly Key stated that over 50 vendors have registered for tonight's event. She also updated the group on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade that will be happening on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kat Davis provided an update on the *Greetings from Carlsbad* mural that she has been working to get painted on the Eddy County Courthouse waste containers wall. She is very excited at for this project and is working with Ruidoso, NM artist Michael Fish.

## 5. The Coalition Update:

Nobody was present to give an official update from the Coalition.

## 6. Code Enforcement Update:

Mary Garwood reported that Code Enforcement is continually working on weeds issues, especially with the recent rain. She also encouraged everyone to use the 311 system for any complaints that may need reported.

## 7. Adjournment:

Ashly Key made the motion to adjourn. Veronica Barnhart seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:56AM.

Signed: Mary Garwood-City of Carlsbad Solid Waste Dept. /Beautification Chair