

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE KEEP NORTH RICHLAND HILLS BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
FOR THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS,
HELD AT THE NORTH RICHLAND HILLS CITY HALL
4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024**

The Keep North Richland Hills Beautiful Commission of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas met for a meeting on the 16th day of April 2024 at 5:45 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Kathy Luppy called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

Present:

Kathy Luppy	Chair
Donah Tyner	Place 1
Steve Chaney	Place 2
Brianne Goetz	Place 3
Kathleen Kaiser	Place 4
Bill Whitsett	Place 7

Absent:

Turquoise Banks	Place 5
Steve Linford	Alternate

Staff Members:

Kristin James, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services

B. PUPLIC COMMENTS

No citizens present for Public Comment.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C.1 Approve minutes of the March 19, 2024 Keep NRH Beautiful Meeting.

Steve Chaney motioned to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Donah Tyner. The Commission then approved the minutes unanimously.

D. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

D.1 Keep NRH Beautiful Scholarship Judging

On Friday, April 12 the Commission received, via email, the two submitted applications for the scholarship. Chair Luppy asked that each member take 15 minutes to review the applications during the meeting. After 15 minutes of reviewing the Commission came together to discuss who would be getting the scholarships.

The Commission unanimously decided that the most deserving of the scholarship was Carter Topley, Senior at Birdville High School. The other applicant was also impressive, but she

lived outside the city limits. After much debate by the Commission, they decided that since she was not an NRH citizen that she would not be awarded the second scholarship available. The written qualifications for the program clearly state the student must reside in NRH city limits.

The Commission then discussed the possibility of awarding both scholarships to Carter. Mrs. James said that she would confer with the City's legal team on whether the Commission is allowed to award the entire scholarship budget to one student, rather than two students as was advertised in program materials.

If the commission is unable to award the scholarship, then next year Mrs. James would rewrite the scholarship in a way that would allow for that option if needed.

D.2 Discuss the Adopt A Spot Program

Mrs. James made a brief presentation outlining the Adopt A Spot Program. She stated that one problem they are running into is that adopters are not turning in their reports after cleanups and therefore it has gotten difficult to gauge the amount of trash being collected per year and whether adopters are actually cleaning their areas.

The Commission asked Mrs. James to reach out to the list of Adopt A Spot participants to see whether their area is still active and if so remind them of the reporting process. In addition, the email will request that each adopter clean their area at least once and send in a report before the end of the year.

D.3 Discuss 2024 Photo Contest

Mrs. James presented information regarding the KNRHB Photo Contest which is held in June every year. The Commission discussed themes for this year's contest, including:

- Let it Shine
- The Glory of NRH
- Parks and Playgrounds
- Microscopic Marvels
- I want to go there... (in NRH)

The Commission decided to go with the theme "I want to go there... (in NRH)". Mrs. James stated that she would start promoting the contest in the beginning of June and voting would happen on Facebook as it had in previous years.

D.4 Discuss 2024 Photo Contest

Mrs. James presented the following schedule to the Commission:

Edible Landscapes Virtual Class – Thursday, June 20 @ 6pm

KTB Conference (Virtual) – June 24 – June 26

KNRHB Meeting – Tuesday, July 16

DIY Sprinkler Repair Class – Thursday, July 25 @ 6pm at City Hall in the Community Room

KNRHB Meeting – No August Meeting Unless Needed

KNRHB Meeting – Tuesday, September 17

Trash Bash – Saturday, October 5

Backyard Chickens Class – Thursday, October 10 @ 5:30 pm at the Library

KNRHB Meeting – Tuesday, October 15

KNRHB Meeting – No November Meeting Unless Needed

Christmas Light Judging – Sunday, December 8

Christmas Light Judging – Monday, December 9 (if needed)

More classes will be scheduled in the fall in conjunction with the Library.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Kathy Luppy adjourned the meeting at 6:48 pm.


Kathy Luppy, Chair