

Grand Lakes Green Committee

Meeting Date: March 30, 2017, 9-10:30am

Committee Members in Attendance: Leigh Anne Goerland, Grace Young Baechle, Nazim Guendil, Patrick Friend

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Old Business:**

#### Litter Pick Up:

Leigh Anne is still waiting to receive a final headcount for volunteers for the Texas Trash Off day on April 8. In addition to the Boy and Girl Scouts, only 2 community residents signed up. Grace will post the sign-up genius link on the GL Facebook Community forum to try and recruit additional volunteers to address the wooded corners and volunteer for the recycle drive. Leigh Anne will follow up with Erica to include the sign-up genius link in an e-Blast.

A wrap up summary will be given to each Boy and Girl Scout troop leader to complete the day of the event.

Grace shared the Keep Texas Beautiful free materials. Patrick took the banner and will see where we can place at RAE, and secure it on the day of the event. Grace will follow up with HEB, Starbucks, and Home Depot donations. And Walgreens, Whole Foods clean up participation.

Grace will write thank you letters to businesses to be sent on GL BOD letterhead, and create a flyer to thank the companies that are sponsoring us.

Additional borrowed/purchased materials: Patrick and Nazim will bring coolers; Patrick will buy bags of ice. Nazim will bring H2O dispenser for water bottle refill and hand washing.

Eco Review & Survey: There are a few outstanding questions in the Environmental Review. Leigh Anne will remind Erica to obtain the answers.

Leigh Anne will follow up with Larry regarding the survey summary to justify some figures.

Recycle Day: Grace will register GL in the [www.x2vol.com](http://www.x2vol.com) website for 4 Seven Lakes

High School volunteers.

**New Business:**

Leigh Anne will re-submit the junk mail/solar "Green Corner" article for the June issue. Nazim will draft the July "Green Corner" newsletter article and target circulating it to fellow committee members by the first week of May (article needs to be submitted for publication by May 20<sup>th</sup>).

Patrick discussed the idea of having Solar City sponsor and host a free lunch and learn about solar panels to residents. The group was initially interested, but thought we should include other energy saving topics. We will discuss further after the 2 clean up and recycle drives.

Leigh Anne shared her conversations with resident, Denise Dibble, and the BOD about using the community garden as a community service project for her Girl Scouts troop. The group was initially interested in revitalizing the GL's community garden near the Barn Park and splash pad. The group decided that the Green Committee should have the administrative role. Leigh Anne will ask Erica what is the official purpose of the community garden, and what are the current usage rules. Currently, there are residents who have plantings in the garden.

Grace suggested that the group review the Green Committee's priority project list again to guide us on future projects. Leigh Anne will add to agenda for next time.

Note: Larry Lucarelli has resigned from the Green Committee. His last day will be April 8th, following the Litter Pick Up day. We are thankful for his service.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40am.