

Grand Lakes Green Committee

Meeting Date: February 8, 2017, 9-10:30am

Committee Members in Attendance: Leigh Anne Goerland, Larry Lucarelli, Patrick Friend

Meeting Minutes

Old Business:

- We will skip the April Green Corner article, but will plan one for May.
- Neighborhood Litter Service Project - April 8th, 2017
 - We reviewed our volunteer communications/organization. Minor updates were identified on the “info for scouts” page. Each participating scout troop will be assigned a cleanup area per the map Leigh Anne emailed prior to the meeting. Leigh Anne will handle communication. The start time is now 8:45am to allow more time for cleanup.
 - We will recommend purchase of Don't Mess with Texas patches for participating scouts. Cost is \$.77/patch. Link: <http://ktb.org/assets/Patch%20Order%20Form.pdf>.
 - No updates to the previously circulated litter newsletter article were identified.
 - Safety Vests:
 - Volunteers working along the roadside will need vests. Volunteers working only in areas separated from traffic by metal fences will not wear vests. We think we need ~60 safety vests for the event.
 - Leigh Anne has reserved 20 safety vests through Girl Scouts and is following up on a lead for vests at Living Word Lutheran Church. *Action: Patrick will inquire of the fire department, and Leigh Anne will inquire at GL Presbyterian and Epiphany Catholic Church.*
 - *Action: Leigh Anne will create a vest sign out sheet. Also, we will need to keep track of what organization each vest needs to be returned to.*
 - *Action: Leigh Anne to follow up with Erica to find out how many banners GL has and the next steps on the “Keep GL Beautiful” Velcro panel.* The day before the cleanup: Larry will put out the banners at the ends of Peek Road and the east end of Fry Road. Leigh Anne will put up the banners at Fry@99 and the west end of Fry Road.
 - We will utilize the supplies from KTB, though they are not biodegradable. *Action: Grace to register us and order supplies.*
 - We decided not to try and separate out recyclables from the litter collected.
 - We selected four trash “drop spots” for volunteers: one in the HEB parking lot (manned by Grace), one in the HD parking lot (manned by Leigh Anne), one by the pump house in P1N next to the wooded area (manned by Larry), and one at Alexander Elementary (manned by Patrick). We will plan to transport trash from Alexander and P1N to their final dumpster locations. HD and HEB may provide trash cans in their parking lots for us. We are still waiting on feedback from the HOA re final dumpster locations (specifically whether or not we can use the dumpster at the MUD water treatment plant at the far end of GL).
 - Leigh Anne, Larry, Grace, and Patrick have all confirmed they will be there the day of the event.
 - Rain date will tentatively be Saturday April 29th (if the garage sales do not also get rained out) and then May 6th if necessary.
 - We reviewed the proposed letter to businesses drafted by Grace. Minor updates were identified and will be sent to Grace.

- We will conclude our event at Alexander Elementary with some snacks and drinks for participants.
- Recycle Drive - April 22nd, 2017
 - We reviewed our volunteer communication/organization draft. No updates were identified.
 - *Action: Leigh Anne will update the Newsletter Article to include that residents may either drive up and let us unload their recyclables or park and bring them to us.*
 - No updates to the proposed supplies. Leigh Anne will print the GL street list for the event.
 - Regarding measuring resident participation/impact: we will keep a tally sheet to count resident participation (a volunteer job!) + we will see what other metrics make sense at event wrap up.
 - Leigh Anne will follow up with RAE on Friday regarding the American Textile Bin.
 - Leigh Anne and Larry will be there the day of. Rain date will be the April 29th.
- General Event Planning:
 - Committee members will take photos at the events and we will aim to have a social media posting/newsletter communication afterward.
 - We will plan for a brief committee meeting a couple days before each event.
- Landscaping/Lake Management Practices
 - No update received from Erica yet regarding the committee's submitted questions. *Action: Leigh Anne to email Erica to ask if the results of water testing by the lake management company may be made available to us.*

New Business:

- *Action: Leigh Anne will follow up on Green Bags Grant requirements for future planning.*

Next Steps:

1. Follow up on action items noted above.
2. Leigh Anne will make edits to newsletter and volunteer communication items per above; Grace to make business letter updates. We will circulate to committee for review. We will submit to Board with an approval deadline of Feb 20th.
3. Leigh Anne will touch base with two of the scout troops who have indicated interest in our event.
4. Leigh Anne will add review of survey results to the next meeting agenda.

Next meeting is Wednesday, March 1, 2017 9am.

Meeting adjourned 10:15 am.