

**STATE OF TEXAS** §  
**COUNTY OF TARRANT** §  
**CITY OF BEDFORD** §

**approved**

The Bedford Beautification Commission met in regular session on April 15, 2013, with the following members present:

Faye Murphy, Chairperson  
Connie LaClair, Vice Chairperson  
Jenny Bumgardner, Secretary  
Richard Dobrovolny  
Patty Sinclair  
Bucky Geer  
Don Whitehurst  
Marty Geer  
Barbara Kurtz  
Constituting a quorum.

Absence:  
Samuel Brown, Jr.  
Kelly Shipps

Excused:  
Steve Henning

Also attending was:  
Don Henderson, Parks Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Faye Murphy, Chairperson, called the Commission meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**1. Consider approval of the following Beautification Commission minutes:**

**a) March 18, 2013 regular meeting.**

The committee asked Don Henderson to relay the following changes to the city administration: Item #5 paragraph #2, line #1 to read "workday master schedule to prevent conflicts with other events" Connie LaClair motioned that the minutes be approved pending changes; Marty Geer seconded. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2. Report from Sub-Committee meetings for the Clean Up Bedford Day and Saturday workdays.**

So far community response for Clean Up Bedford Day has been lower than hoped for despite committee members contacting numerous agencies throughout the city. BBC members will continue promoting CUB Day in order to raise community participation. Signs to advertise the event are forthcoming and committee members will display the signs at prominent spots throughout Bedford. Several local businesses will provide financing for necessary items and water and lunch

for volunteers. Bedford's Parks Department has committed to clean along the Linear Park, and other agencies are expected as the date gets closer.

Bucky will patrol all areas to direct volunteers to needed areas. Connie will contact Teen Court to acquire teens to help at the Boys' Ranch; Jenny will be at the Boys' Ranch to supervise teens. Other BBC members will assist at the Meadowpark Complex and throughout the city. The most pressing needs currently appear to be the Harwood and Hwy 121 interchange and the area where Hwy 121 and 183 merge, much of it due to highway construction.

Committee members discussed ways to promote increased participation in the future and what may be affecting this year's decreased interest among the community.

Connie reported on progress at the Boys' Ranch; she sent out an updated task list to BBC members as well as current accomplishments of the commission on Saturday and extra workdays. Four teen court recipients were at the Boys' Ranch this month to help weed the areas around the Senior Center, Arts Council, and Arts Theater.

**3. Discuss update on the Community Garden.**

Pavilion improvements continue, and garden supporters have planted fruit trees along FM 157. Volunteers have also done a superb job cleaning out the few empty or neglected beds.

**4. Update on participation in the Consumer Energy Expo on April 20, 2013.**

BBC will have a presence at the event; Connie and Bucky will man the BBC table for the first half, and Faye, Patty, and Jenny will finish the afternoon. They will distribute the new recycling flyers as well as promote CUB Day, which will be the following weekend.

**5. The next workday is Saturday May 11, 2013.**

**6. Commission Member Resignation.**

Due to personal conflicts Kelly Shipps has resigned from the BBC, effective April 15, 2013.

**NEXT MEETING**

**7. The next meeting of the Beautification Commission will be held May 20, 2013.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business, Richard Dobrovolny made a motion for adjournment. Bucky Geer seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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**Faye Murphy, Chairperson**