

**Keep West Tawakoni Beautiful  
Official Minutes  
Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023  
West Tawakoni City Hall**

1. The Feb. 16, 2023, meeting of the Keep West Tawakoni Beautiful steering committee was called to order in the West Tawakoni City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m., by Steering Committee Chair Mary Hall. Present were members Mary Hall, Dwayne Hall, David Radtke, Adriana Thomas and Kim Travers. Guest present were Kris and Jane Kehler.
2. Chair Mary Hall welcomed all those present to the meeting.
3. Citizen Input: Kris and Jane Kehler stated they were happy to be a part of the meeting.
4. Announcements: Adriana Thomas stated she was still trying to get a phone number for the gentleman that ran the U.S. Arbor Day Event so the committee would have some guidance on setting up future Arbor Day projects or events.
5. Approval of minutes: Dwayne Hall moved to approve the minutes of the Jan.19, 2023, meeting and David Radtke seconded. Approved.
6. Review of the KWTB bank account: Chair Hall provided committee members with a January 2023 bank statement. Chair Hall stated that once the minutes were approved, she could take a copy of them to the bank and change the signatures. Chair Hall and David Radtke will be the signatures on the KWTB account going forward.
7. Update on the Feb. 8, 2023, webinar attended by Dwayne Hall: The webinar was over the San Marcos River Clean-up by the City of San Marcos and Keep San Marcos Beautiful. Dwayne stated this was a huge event with some 500-900 volunteers. Hall stated it was fascinating to watch how they cleaned the river with several teams in canoes and kayaks, unfortunately not much applied to us, but they did discuss the seriousness of debris and trash in ditches that drain into area lakes. Dwayne would like to see the committee schedule something in our future clean-ups regarding the lake and ditches that drain directly into the lake. Hall also stated that Keep Texas Beautiful opened the meeting by stressing you could request supplies for events and have those events posted on their website.
8. Update on the Mar. 2, 2023, regional training in Mesquite to be attended by David and Adriana: Both David and Adriana stated they have registered and confirmed they will be attending the training.

9. **Update on the Little Library:** Chair Hall stated that it seems like people are using the adult books more than the children's books. The children's book area is full, but for the first time the adult area is low. Hall stated she had plenty of books to restock the library and plans to do that over the weekend.
10. **Update on the Veterans Garden at City Park:** Dwayne Hall stated that the weather has not been favorable with the cold, rain and wind. Adriana Thomas stated she and her husband have tried to assist with the irrigation repair, but the gates have been locked at the park. Thomas stated they would try again on Saturday. Chair Hall stated that would be good and reiterated the importance of the irrigation to the plants and flower beds.
11. **Discuss the approval of dates for the city-wide cleanup at the Wastewater Treatment plant and who will volunteer:** David Radtke stated he had spoken with the city's Public Works Director Michael Stafford and together they have agreed on the following dates:  
(1) April 15, 2023, (2) June 10, 2023, (3) September 16, 2023 (4) November 11, 2023, for the KWTB cleanup days. Dwayne Hall moved to approve all four cleanup dates and Adriana Thomas seconded. Approved.

Radtke stated he would be available to volunteer all four days, barring any type of emergency. Chair Hall and Dwayne Hall stated they would be available for all four dates as well. Kim Travers stated she would be available on June 10, 2023, and November 11, 2023, and possibly could commit to additional dates. Adriana Thomas stated she was available on April 15, 2023, and September 16, 2023, and would check on the other dates. Radtke stated he would like to get a team of volunteers for cleanup days other than committee members and mentioned utilizing the R.V. parks for volunteers as well as contacting Mikey Kline to bring his truck and trailer to help with the bigger items. Radtke also stated he had done some research and Quinlan ISD has programs that might be useful to the committee regarding cleanup days but was unsure of the risk factor. Kim Travers echoed the same sentiment regarding the safety issue but said she would check with her neighbor regarding the possibility of scouts participating in some way. Dwayne Hall stated he would check with the R.V. park managers and see if there was any interest in volunteering. Adriana Thomas stated she used to work at Lowes, and they encouraged their employees to get involved with community projects. Thomas suggested reaching out to Lowes in Greenville to see if they would be interested in working with the committee.

12. **Discuss the upcoming Spring plant sale at the Market on the Lake to take place April 8, 2023, and the type of plants to sale as well as raffle items and freebies:** (a) Chair Hall stated that she has ordered several items from Keep Texas Beautiful through the Highway Department. She also has a big basket and would like to fill it with several items related to cleanup or gardening. Hall stated that Robin Myers could dress the basket up and we could sell raffle tickets for the basket at the Market on the Lake as well as passing out the freebies she obtained from Keep Texas Beautiful. (b) Adriana Thomas suggested getting an item donated from a local business to raffle along with the basket. Dwayne Hall stated he would reach out to Groom and Sons to see if they would be willing to donate an item. (c) Chair Hall would also like to see the

committee come up with some type of brochure to hand out at events letting the community know what our committee is about. David Radtke agreed the brochure would be a great visualization of what KWTB does to serve the community and stated he would like a mission statement listed on the brochure as well as posted regularly on Facebook. Dwayne Hall stated he would like to incorporate pictures on the brochure related to the yard of the month and the KWTB logo. (d) As far as the plant sale, David Radtke motioned we set a budget of \$400.00, and Dwayne Hall seconded. Amount approved. Chair Hall stated that the Market on the Lake is from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

13. Discuss and set dates for the Spring and Fall yard sale at Rustic Oaks: Chair Hall stated that she wanted the plant sale and the yard sale to be separate this year. Dwayne Hall motioned we have the Spring yard sale on May 6, 2023, and Kim Travers seconded. Date approved. Kim Travers motioned we have the Fall yard sale on October 7, 2023 and David Radtke seconded. Date approved.
14. Discuss and set dates for future projects in 2023: David Radtke motioned we start the Yard of Month in May and end the month of August and the Calvin Travers Yard of the Year be presented in September. Dwayne Hall seconded. Approved. The committee also agreed to give out the award the first day of each month and pick up the sign the last day of the month. Radtke would like the committee to get together beginning in April and ride as a team throughout the community to choose a recipient for the award. Chair Hall stated she would like to see the committee give out a Spring and Fall award for Most Improved Property and Community Improvement. All agreed.
15. Discuss and approve the purchase of new metal signs: Dwayne Hall motioned we replace all KWTB signs with a metal sign and add our logo in the middle of each the sign. David Radtke seconded. Approved. Kim Traves stated she would reach out to Vital Signs for pricing and designing new signs with the KWTB logo.
16. Discuss ideas to recruit new members: Chair Hall asked our visitors Kris and Jane Kehler who are new to our community for ideas on how they would get more people involved in KWTB. Jane Kehler stated we were on point with branding and getting our logo out. Kehler mentioned t-shirts to advertise KWTB when we are out and about in the community. Kim Travers stated she agreed t-shirts would be a great idea with our logo and anything else we could hang up or handout at local businesses. Chair Hall stated she had someone she could contact about t-shirts. Adriana Thomas stated she is updating the cleanup flyers to match the logo and make them more eye-catching.
17. Discuss any future agenda items: David Radtke present to the committee (see attached) information he would like to see on Facebook about the groups mission and how to go about discarding and recycling items that cannot be placed in a regular trash receptacle. Dwayne Hall moved to adopt the information and Adriana Thomas seconded. Approved. Radtke would also like to discuss taking ownership of ideas and projects in a future meeting.

**18. Adjournment: David Radtke moved the meeting be adjourned and Adriana Thomas seconded. Approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.**

**Kim Travers**

**Committee Secretary**

Approved -  
2-16-2023

**February 2023. proposed for posting on Facebook. Frequency (daily/weekly/monthly), based on approval team acceptance and agreed upon posting:**

- Post the following statement both bullets, as one posting:
  - Keep West Tawakoni Beautiful is an affiliate of Keep Texas Beautiful. Our mission is to empower individuals, through education, to take responsibility for enhancing their community environment by recycling and using waste reduction.
  - Interested in making West Tawakoni Beautiful, join the committee and be active in your community. Contact: XXXXXXXXXX for information
- **How to recycle those unwanted tires** – Contact 360 Tire Group on Hwy 34 between Quinlan and Greenville. There is a disposal fee call them for their current fee. 360 Tire Group, 5298 TX-34, Greenville, TX 75402. Their telephone number is 903-527-5289.
- **How to recycle metal and most appliances**– Parks Recycling located at 921 W Main Street, Quinlan, TX 75474. Confirm with Parks Recycling for acceptable items. Their telephone number is 903-356-7873.
- **How to recycle motor oil** – place used motor oil in sealed container and take to your local automotive parts stores.
- **How to recycle car/boat battery** – take your batteries to automotive parts store or Parks Recycling.
- **How to discard paint** – if the paint in the paint can is dry and hard, place it in your normal garbage container. If it is still wet, open the can and let it harden. You may also paint cardboard and discard the dried cardboard in with your garbage.
- **Have bulk items such as lumber, drywall, or branches that you need to discard** – Contact City of West Tawakoni and you can take your rubbish to the Rabbit Cove maintenance yard and dispose of within the containers there. Yes, there is a fee per truck/trailer load and you **must be a citizen of West Tawakoni**, requires State issued ID and your recent water bill. Call City of West Tawakoni for fees, 903-447-2285
- **Hazardous Waste Facility Open to West Tawakoni Residents** – There's good news for residents of West Tawakoni who have been having difficulty finding a place to dispose of hazardous household waste. West Tawakoni residents, with a State issued ID and recent City of West Tawakoni water bill, may now utilize the Greenville Hunt County Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. For hours of operation and confirmation of acceptable waste, please contact the center at 903-457-2958.