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**CITY OF LA MARQUE
KEEP LA MARQUE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OF
January 10, 2018**

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of La Marque Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission held on January 10, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road with the following members present:

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Joe Compian called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Chairman Joe Compian
Commissioner Vivian Allen
Commissioner Katherine Goodwin
Commissioner David Holmen
Commissioner Terry Pettijohn

ABSENT:

Commissioner Carlos Flores
Commissioner Kimberley Yancy

OTHER OFFICIALS/STAFF PRESENT:

Carol Buttler, City Manager
Councilman Chris Lane, District B
Councilwoman Casey Mc Auliffe, District D
Kathleen Van Stavern, Code Compliance Supervisor
Chiquetter Clayton, Revitalization Specialist
Colleen Merritt, Public Relations Specialist

(3) INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commission dispensed with the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

(4) CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Tamara Williams resides in District D. She asked, "When are the minutes placed or updated on the website?" Chairperson Compian explained the process to Ms. Williams.

(5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve the minutes from December 13, 2017, seconded by Commissioner Allen. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**



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(6) MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT(S)

Financial report for November 2017

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve the November 2017 financial report, seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(7) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding status report on "Being a Good Neighbor" pamphlet
Ms. Merritt stated, "We have been talking about this for some time and I need more information from the Commission to move forward." Ms. Merritt said, "It's tough for me to decide what the Commission would consider is a good neighbor for our community." Chairperson Compian stated that he would like to revise the good neighbor pamphlet and have it as an agenda item for next month. She stated she needed the Commission to identify from 1 through 10, on how to be a good neighbor. What is the most important top 10 suggestions on being a good neighbor? She added she would like to turn the information into a flyer to give out at events. Chairperson Compian stated the item would be on next month agenda.

(8) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding election of Officers
Chairperson Compian stated since the Commission has new members and he is the only officer, we need to elect officers for Keep La Marque Beautiful. Chairman Compian asked, "Who would be interested in serving as the treasurer?" Commissioner Goodwin nominated Commissioner Allen for treasurer, seconded by Commissioner Holmen. Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve Commissioner Allen as the treasurer for 2018. Commissioner Allen nominated Commissioner Goodwin for Vice Chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Pettijohn. Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve Commissioner Goodwin as the Vice Chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Allen. Commissioner Goodwin nominated Commissioner Compian as the Chairperson, second by Commissioner Allen. Commissioner Pettijohn made the motion to approve Joe Compian as Chairperson, second by Commissioner Allen. **ALL MOTIONS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- b. Discussion/possible action regarding the Governor's Community Achievement Award
Chairperson Compian explained the process to the Commission and handed out materials on how the Commission could achieve their goal of winning an award. He asked, "What is our official population?" Ms. Merritt stated 16,165 is the official population. Chairperson Compian stated, "Based on the population, we could win an award amount up to \$180,000.00." He remarked the category did not have a lot of cities apply and we should pursue this opportunity. Chairperson Compian added that we should submit the application for the award because it has to be submitted



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before our next board meeting. Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve the submission for the Governor's Achievement Award, seconded by Commissioner Holmen. Ms. Buttler stated, "If you decide to get together as a group, make sure you give us 72 hours notice so we can post a possible quorum. Three is a quorum for this Commission." Commissioner Allen asked, "Can you have work sessions as a group?" Ms. Buttler replied that you are able to have work session but it will need to be posted. The workshops may be held in conjunction with your meetings or at another time. Chairperson Compian stated he would like to have registration for the Keep Texas Beautiful Conference on the agenda for next month.

- c. Discussion/possible action regarding ratifying City Manager's approval of expenses for gift cards for the Christmas Lights Winners

Chairperson Compian thanked all of the Commissioners for their participation in selecting the winners. He named the winners of each prize. Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve the expenses for the gift cards, seconded by Commissioner Allen. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- d. Discussion/possible action regarding Green Infrastructure Projects

Ms. Buttler stated because it was concerning rain gardens, water harvesting and things that you have been interested in over time, I thought I would bring this to give you some ideas on projects for the Commission. Last year, you had been interested in the rain barrels and it did not work out but this might be another resource and give you other ideas". A discussion ensued about projects for Green Infrastructure Projects. Chairperson Compian suggested the Commission read the information and the item should be carried over for the next time.

- e. Discussion/possible action regarding magnetic signs on City vehicles advertising "Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission"

Ms. Buttler mentioned she was having a discussion with some of the staff on the idea to purchase magnetic signs to help the citizens identify the Commission. Ms. Van Stavern suggested advertising the Let's Paint the Town project with magnetic signs on the Code Enforcement vehicles. Ms. Buttler suggested the Commission think about it and get back with her.

- f. Discussion/possible action regarding selection of Residential Yard of the Month

Councilwoman McAuliffe nominated 613 Beatrice and Commissioner Pettijohn nominated 13 Borondo Stretch for yard of the month. Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve 613 Beatrice as the January yard of the month and 13 Borondo Stretch as the February yard of the month, seconded by Commissioner Holmen. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- g. Discussion/possible action regarding selection of Business Yard of the Month



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Ms. Merritt nominated Kelley's Restaurant and Chairperson Compian nominated Faust Distributing Company for Business yard of the month. Commissioner Holmen made a motion to approve Faust Distributing Company at 3001 IH 45 as the January business yard of the month. Commissioner Allen nominated Lennar Homes in Painted Meadows for the February business yard of the month. Commissioner Holmen made a motion to approve the businesses for February yard of the month, seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(9) CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Compian expressed his excitement for the KLMB Commission for this new year. He stated the goals for this year are to win the Governor's Achievement Award and to encourage donations for KLMB. The Commission would like to work with our elected officials and churches to help with our events and continued recovery efforts.

(10) PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Ms. Merritt discussed all the different opportunities for advertising the Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission. She would like to make sure any information on projects and events are available through our website and other avenues. She also discussed promotional items for the Commission to give out at events.

(11) EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session required.

(12) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Goodwin expressed her gratitude to Commissioner Allen and Benny Flores for helping the Commission to locate homes for the Christmas Lights Contest. She also thanked Mr. Robison for providing the bus for their outing and to all the winners for their great Christmas spirit. Commissioner Goodwin thanked Ms. Merritt for her venues of information on social media and she welcomed Mr. Pettijohn to the KLMB Commission.

Chairmen Compian added Councilmen Chris Lane has a book club called "Let's Talk About It."

Commissioner Pettijohn stated the Friends of the Library are looking for volunteers and the next meeting will be February 17, 2018. He stated the Lions Club will be donating an outside bench to the Library in April.

Councilwomen McAuliffe suggested we add the discussion about volunteers for Let's Paint the Town to next month's agenda. She stated we should be prepared with volunteer groups once the citizens receive their paint and have requested volunteer assistance.



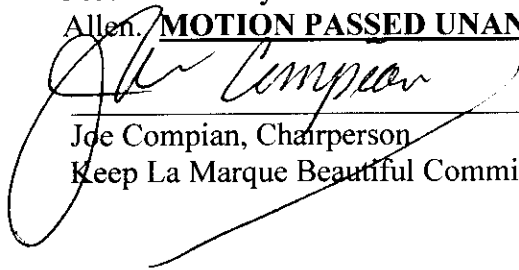
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(13) ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to adjourn at 7:05 pm, seconded by Commissioner Allen. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Joe Compian". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Joe Compian, Chairperson
Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission