



**CITY OF LA MARQUE  
KEEP LA MARQUE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION  
REGULAR MINUTES  
of  
March 12, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice-Chairperson Loftis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:**

Re'chard Loftis Vice Chairperson

Terry Pettijohn Commissioner

Ashley Gooden-Stewart Commissioner

**ABSENT:**

Lyndsey Gonzales Chairperson

Katherine Herrin-Keith Commissioner

**CITY OFFICIALS / STAFF:**

James Ross Councilmember, District D

Agueda Jimenez Communications Coordinator

Jose Hernandez Code Enforcement Supervisor

Myrna P. Sanchez Code Enforcement Administrative Assistant

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.I. Tree City USA

Vice-Chairperson Tonia Griffin from the La Marque Park Board shared information about the Tree City program and its requirements. She stated that this would be a great opportunity as this would open the city up to better grant opportunities.

4. REPORTS

4.I. Financial Report

Commissioner Gooden-Stewart made a motion to approve the financial report. Commissioner Pettijohn seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4.II. Waste Management Report

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve the Waste Management report. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. MINUTES

5.I. Regular Keep La Marque Minutes 01.08.2025

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from

January 8, 2025. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Tonia Griffin, Vice-Chairperson of the La Marque Parks Board, requested that the Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission consider the Coca-Cola grant in the amount of \$10,000.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.I. Electing a Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2025 calendar year ***THIS ITEM WAS TABLED ON 01.08.2025***

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to table this item. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.I. Planning the 2025 Keep La Marque Beautiful event calendar

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to host the Spring Sweep at Building A (4916 Texas Ave., Suite A, La Marque, TX) on April 26, 2025, and table all other events until all members of the Commission are present. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.II. Revisiting the preparation call for the Trash Bash event on March 29, 2025

Communications Coordinator Jimenez stated the Trash Bash event is in conjunction with the Rivers, Lakes, Bays 'N Bayous Trash Bash, which is the largest single-day cleanup in Texas. She requested help with promoting and signing up volunteers online.

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to participate in Trash Bash on March 29, 2025. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.III. Applying for the Texas Scenic Certification Program

Commissioner Gooden-Stewart made a motion to apply for the Texas Scenic Certification Program. Commissioner Pettijohn seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.IV. Considering participation in Spring Cleanups and Trash off Essentials Webinar Recording

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve participation in the Spring Cleanups and Trash Off Essentials Webinar. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.V. Approving a Certificate of Appreciation for the La Marque Garden Club

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to approve awarding a certificate of appreciation to the Garden Club. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.VI. Awarding Yard of the Month

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to table for the next agenda.  
Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.VII. Participating in the 2025 Keep Texas Beautiful Conference: Field Trips and Workshops

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to participate in the 2025 Keep Texas Beautiful Conference in Austin. Commissioner Gooden-Stewart seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Pettijohn announced he is leader of Toastmasters and he welcomed everyone to join them every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.at the Texas City Chamber of Commerce.

Vice-Chairperson Loftis asked that the opportunity for the Coca-Cola Grant be placed as an item on the next agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Pettijohn made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Gooden seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

*\*\*Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.*

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Chairperson

Keep La Marque Beautiful Commission