

# Board Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2011, Called to order about 7:30 pm

## Board Members Present:

- X Chris Voss, President
- X Kathryn Baecht, Secretary
- X Don Brennecke, Treasurer
- X Alan Richard, President Elect
- Judy Russell, Board Member
- Cathy Cox, Board Member (2 year)
- Micki Wright, Board Member (2 year)
- X Scott Lipsett, Past President, Board Member (1 year)
- Nathan Melson, Past President
- X Paula Brennecke, Guest
- X Faye Wedell, Board Member (1 year)

Chris was late due to car trouble, so Alan called the meeting to order.

## Treasurer's Report:

Don reported that at the end of July we had \$568.36 in the bank. We received \$58 from Faye and spent \$30 for the post office box, so the updated balance is \$596.36. We also have \$157 in petty cash.

Kathryn made a motion to make a \$500 payment to Don and Paula to pay back part of what is owed to them. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

## Heritage Day Report:

The booth cost \$25, and we brought in \$57 on the raffle basket, so we did a little better than break even. Unfortunately the day was very hot and there was not a great turn out for the event. Also, the booth was not in an ideal spot. Nevertheless, people did visit the booth who were interested in the Community Garden and the Texoma Grown Directory. Four email addresses were collected of people who are interested in getting more info about the Community Garden. Kathryn took the addresses and will make sure that the names get added to the Google Group.

## Proposed Bonham Community Garden:

Kathryn reported that Chris has arranged with Corby Alexander that Joe Howdeshell may till the Community Garden site whenever he is able to get time away from his roadwork for the town. At the time of the meeting, no tilling had taken place yet. Alan and Chris have marked off the site, and Chris met with Joe and went over the area with him.

There was no update on the sign for the garden. Chris will send out an email to the garden email group with an update of the state of the garden.

## Films and Forums:

Three dates were suggested for the next Films and Forums: October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> or November 5<sup>th</sup>. The idea is to show the movie *Gasland* followed by a panel discussion. Faye has the names of several possible speakers, and Alan agreed to try and contact our first choice speakers and check their interest/availability. Alan also mentioned an article recently published in the NY Times about fracturing that he thought would be beneficial for us to all look up and read.

The idea of having one or more co-sponsors for the event was discussed. Suggestions included the Red River Unitarians, or an environmental student group from Austin College or Grayson County College. Both Austin College and Grayson County College have facilities that would be good for the event. Alan suggested that we give people an action they can take at the end of the event.

## Other:

Faye reported that there will be a Sustainability event August 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at Grayson County College. The event is free, and would perhaps be a good opportunity for CORE to forge some connections at the college.

Respectfully submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kathryn Baecht, Secretary