

MEETING MINUTES

KEEP KERN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting
May 17, 2023
Microsoft Teams
2:00-3:00 P.M.

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Gary Ananian, Brian Duhart, Olivia Franzen, Daniel Harrison (Chairperson), David Kadel, and Karen Sanders (a quorum was met)

Committee Members Not Present

Steve Kinsey and Christopher McGehee

2) Welcome and Roll Call

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez welcomed all Committee Members, Kern County Public Works staff, County Counsel, and guests present.

Committee Members introduced themselves to one another.

3) Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting on February 15, 2023

MOTION: *To approve Meeting Minutes from the February 15, 2023 Regular Meeting*

Motioned by Karen Sanders; seconded by Gary Ananian

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

4) Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting on March 15, 2023

MOTION: *To approve Meeting Minutes from the March 15, 2023 Regular Meeting*

Motioned by Karen Sanders; seconded by Gary Ananian

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

5) New Business

A. Discuss reaching out to Supervisor District Staff to learn about clean-up areas in need and opportunities to partner with other Districts.

I. COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO DISCUSS LOCATIONS IN NEED OF CLEAN-UPS AND TO SHARE UPCOMING CLEAN-UP EVENTS FOR OTHERS TO JOIN

Committee Member Olivia Franzen discussed the possibility of hosting a community clean-up in District 3 during Summer 2023.

Committee Member Gary Ananian discussed the current state of the Kern River Valley area (Kernville, Wofford Heights) and expressed that help was needed in the area to help mitigate the aftermath of the flooding that took place earlier this year. He also mentioned hosting a Great River Clean-up in the Kernville area this year.

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez stated she would send updated staff information for each of the Supervisors to Committee Members for them to connect and learn about areas in their districts that need community clean-ups.

B. Update Keep Kern Beautiful Committee Affiliation Report 2023

I. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON COORDINATION NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE COMMUNITY APPEARANCE INDEX AND LITTER INDEX REPORT IN SPRING 2023**

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez handed out Area 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 packets to each of the Committee Members in attendance and went through the packets, which included litter scorecards, an area map, directions, and photos of litter levels to help gauge their litter scorecards. She asked Committee Members to return their litter scorecards by Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

6) **Presentation by Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez on behalf of Karina Mendez, Public Works Maintenance Worker II on recent and upcoming community clean-up efforts**

Household Hazardous Waste/Temporary Collection Events

- Saturday, May 6, 2023 – Mojave Special Waste Facility & Tehachapi Landfill
- Saturday, May 13, 2023 – Kern Valley Transfer Station & Ridgecrest Special Waste Facility
- Saturday, May 20, 2023 – Tehachapi Landfill
- Saturday, May 27, 2023 – Lebec Transfer Station & Ridgecrest Special Waste Facility

Bulky Waste Collection Event

Lake Isabella – May 20, 2023, from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

- Veterans/Seniors Center

Frazier Park – June 17, 2023, from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

- Frazier Mountain Park

Re-opening of Roberts Lane Transfer Station

Roberts Lane Transfer Station – 1900 Roberts Lane

- Thursdays: 5-8 p.m.
- Saturdays: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

7) **Committee Member Announcements or Reports**

No announcements or reports from Committee Members.

8) Staff Comment

No comments from staff members.

9) Public Comment

No comments from the public.

10) Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 21, 2023, from 2-3 p.m.

11) ADJOURN

MOTION: *To adjourn the meeting*

Motioned by Gary Ananian; seconded by Daniel Harrison

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.