

MEETING MINUTES

KEEP KERN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting
August 17, 2022
Microsoft Teams
2:00-3:00 P.M.

1) **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Gary Ananian, Brian Duhart, Daniel Harrison (Chairperson), Christopher McGehee, Andrea Medina (Vice Chairperson), and Karen Sanders (a quorum was met)

Committee Members Not Present

David Kadel, Steve Kinsey, and Lynnda Martin

2) **Welcome and Roll Call**

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

3) **Approval of resolution for Keep Kern Beautiful Committee to hold remote meetings**

MOTION: *To approve the resolution for the Committee to hold remote meetings*

Motioned by Andrea Medina; seconded by Karen Sanders

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

4) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting on July 20, 2022**

MOTION: *To approve Meeting Minutes from the July 20, 2022 Regular Meeting*

Motioned by Gary Ananian; seconded by Christopher McGehee

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

5) **New Business**

A. Keep Kern Beautiful Cleanup Supplies to Purchase

I. **APPROVAL OF SELECTED OPTIONS BROUGHT FORTH FOR CLEANUP SUPPLIES TO PURCHASE WITH KEEP KERN BEAUTIFUL FUNDS**

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez presented cleanup supplies to purchase with Keep Kern Beautiful funds for Committee Members to vote on. **[ATTACHMENT]**

Committee Members reviewed all the items listed in the attachment and came to a consensus on the items, quantities, and total cost, plus tax and shipping.

MOTION: *To approve selected options brought forth for cleanup supplies to purchase with Keep Kern Beautiful Funds*

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

B. Keep Kern Beautiful Committee Fundraising

II. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO DISCUSS FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES AND IDEAS**

Committee Member Brian Duhart asked if the Keep Kern Beautiful Committee was a 501(c)(3) and if the Committee is tax deductible and if so, what is the Committee's tax I.D. number.

The Committee discussed drafting a sponsorship form with various sponsorship levels and posting it on Keep Kern Beautiful's website landing page and Kern County Public Works' Facebook page to make it public and to help promote it. Committee Members also discussed reaching out to corporate partners with the sponsorship form.

Committee Member Brian Duhart asked if we could confirm if Keep Kern Beautiful is a Foundation.

C. Volunteer Opportunities at 2022 Kern County Fair – September 21-October 2

III. **DISCUSS VOLUNTEERING AT KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS' EDUCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH BOOTH TO PROMOTE KEEP KERN BEAUTIFUL AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez mentioned that Kern County Public Works is looking for Committee Members to volunteer to cover shift times on Thursday, September 22 at the Kern County Fair/Kern County Public Works' educational and outreach booth as they plan to highlight Keep Kern Beautiful that day. Kern County Public Works will provide t-shirts and admission and parking will be covered for volunteers.

6) **Presentation by Karina Mendez, Public Works Maintenance Worker II on recent and upcoming community cleanup efforts**

As of August 17, 2022, KCPWD Illegal Dumping & Events Update:

R.A.P.I.D. Stats

Countywide Dump Sites Cleared = 3,371

Countywide Tonnage = 765 tons

Mattresses Collected Countywide = 576

Recycled: 429

Encampments Cleared = 315

Household Hazardous Waste/Temporary Collection Events

Three (3) Collection events so far this month in Tehachapi, Ridgecrest, and Shafter:

- Saturday, August 6, 2022 – Tehachapi Landfill, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, August 13, 2022 – Ridgecrest Special Waste Facility, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, August 13, 2022 – Shafter-Wasco Landfill, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Upcoming Collection events will be:

- Saturday, August 20, 2022 – Tehachapi Landfill, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, August 27, 2022 – Kern Valley Transfer Station, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Saturday, August 27, 2022 – Ridgecrest Special Waste Facility, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Bulky Waste Collection Event

Wofford Heights – August 13, 2022 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

- Wofford Heights Park – 316 East Evans Road
- Cesar Chavez Environmental Corps. & Thomas Refuse Service, Inc.
- Traffic count: 38

Upcoming Event:

Buttonwillow – September 3, 2022 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

- Buttonwillow Recreation & Park District – 556 Milo Avenue
- Cesar Chavez Environmental Corps. & Westside Waste Management, Inc.
- Chamber will be hosting a community cleanup alongside event in preparation for Fall Festival [CHAMBER POSTPONED EVENT]

7) Committee Member Announcements or Reports

Committee Member Karen Sanders shared that she will be hosting a community cleanup in California City on Saturday, September 17 from 7:30-11 a.m. in conjunction with the California City Chamber of Commerce.

Committee Member Gary Ananian shared that he will be hosting a community cleanup along the upper Kern River in Wofford Heights on Saturday, September 17 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

8) Staff Comment

Committee Coordinator Alicia A. Gutierrez announced that September is Cleanup Month and Saturday, September 17, 2022, is National Cleanup Day. She mentioned Committee Member Karen Sanders with District 2 will be hosting a cleanup in California City on this day from 7:30-11 a.m. and that she plans to provide Karen with trash bags, gloves, safety vests, and pickers. She also mentioned that this would be a great opportunity for other Committee Members to host a community cleanup event through Keep Kern Beautiful as well or join in on the California City Cleanup.

9) Public Comment

No comment from the public.

10) Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 from 2-3 p.m.

11) ADJOURN

MOTION: *To adjourn the meeting*

Motioned by Gary Ananian; seconded by Brian Duhart

Approved unanimously by all Committee Members

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

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**Selected options brought forth for cleanup supplies to purchase with Keep Kern Beautiful Funds
\$2,000 budget**

ArcMate Orange-U-Tongs PRO Grade Litter Pick up Tool

Quantity: 40-50

6 per pack at \$112.32

Proposal

Amount to order: 7 packs

Quantity: 42

Cost: \$786.24

OASE EasyPick Pond Pliers

Quantity: 3-5

1 at \$70.60

Proposal

Amount to order: 3

Quantity: 3

Cost: \$211.80

9" Roller Frame

Quantity: 20

1 at \$2.94

Proposal

Amount to order: 20

Quantity: 20

Cost: \$58.80

9" 4FT Paint Roller Kits

Quantity: 1-2

1 at \$21.99

Proposal

Amount to order: 1

Quantity: 1

Cost: \$21.99

5-pack 9" Roller Covers

Quantity: 20 orders

5 per pack at \$9.99

Proposal

Amount to order: 20 packs

Quantity: 100

Cost: \$199.80

10-pack 9" Paint Roller Tray

Quantity: 5 orders

10 per pack at \$11.95

Proposal

Amount to order: 5 packs

Quantity: 50

Cost: \$59.75

Total: \$1,338.38 + tax and shipping