

MEETING MINUTES

KEEP KERN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

October 20, 2021

PSB Public Meeting Room: 2700 'M' Street, Bakersfield 93301, 1st Floor

2:00-3:00 P.M.

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

Committee Members Present

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

Committee Members Not Present

Lynn Black, David Duckett, David Kadel, and Steve Kinsey

2) Welcome and Roll Call

The Committee Coordinator, Alicia A. Gutierrez, welcomed all committee members and guests present.

3) Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 3, 2021

MOTION: *To approve Meeting Minutes from September 3, 2021 Regular Meeting.*

Motioned by Karen Sanders; seconded by Andrea Medina

Approved unanimously by all committee members

4) New Business

A. Discussed: types of clean-ups that have occurred or are coming up in each of the Committee Members' Districts; different types of groups to partner with; to look into the creation of a dashboard/calendar for Committee Members to access information from that is also made available to the public; Committee Members reach out to their respective Supervisors' staff to learn about clean-up efforts and areas in-need; budget for purchasing clean-up items and where to store them so everyone on the Committee has access to them.

B. Discussed KKB's participation in America Recycles Day on November 13, 2021.

C. Discussed KKB's potential collaboration with Keep Bakersfield Beautiful during the 24th Annual Great American Clean-up on April 30, 2022.

5) Presentation by Karina Mendez, Public Works Maintenance Worker II on recent and upcoming community clean-up efforts

Highlight: This year, the RAPID Crew has cleaned up 84 tons of illegal dumping on average per month, normally the Crew picks up around 100 tons per month. The Boron Community clean-up, which was held on September 25, 2021 collected a total of 4.8 tons of trash. The Buttonwillow Community clean-up, which was held on October 16, 2021 collected a total of 2 tons of trash. Various locations in October for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events in Tehachapi, Ridgecrest, Taft, Boron. Bulky Waste Collection Events held in Taft on August 28 and in Bakersfield at three separate locations on October 23.

6) Committee Member Announcements or Reports

Lynnda Martin asked for a recap of Kern County Public Works' participation at the 2021 Kern County Fair.

7) Public Comment

Sal Moretti, District Director with Supervisor David Couch, commented on KKB meeting structure and the possibility of holding future Committee meetings remotely.

Zechariah Garcia, Kern Public Works staff member commented on the KAB Affiliate Report and how to utilize the Litter Index portion of the report to better understand each District and the areas of concern for future clean-ups.

Michelle Burns-Lusich, Kern Public Works staff member commented on how KKB was formed under the Kern County Foundation and to provide the Committee Members KKB's nonprofit number.

8) ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.