MINUTES OF THE MEETING CITIZENS ENVIRONMENTAL AND NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012 COUNCIL WORK SESSION ROOM 7:00 P.M.

Attendance		Present / Absent
District 7	James Ferrer, Chairperson	Р
District 1	Barbara Powers	Р
District 2	Conrad Alvarez	Р
District 3	David Vines	Р
District 4	Vacant	V
District 5	Betty Roberts	Р
District 6	Fran Brown	Р
District 8	Sandra Purdom	Α
Mayor's Appointee	Ken Risser	Р
EWS Staff	Lonnie R. Banks, Staff Liaison	Α
EWS Staff	Susan Nixon, Administrative Services Manager, Acting Staff Liaison	Р
EWS Staff	Rosa I. Ortega, Recording Secretary	Р

- 1. CHAIRPERSON JAMES FERRER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AND CONDUCTED WELCOME AND ROLL CALL
- 2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF January 11, 2012 Barbara Powers made the motion to change the word "whom" to "who" in Standing Committee Updates, 3rd bullet, first sentence. Barbara Powers made the motion to approve the minutes with the mentioned correction. Betty Roberts seconded the motion. All committee members voted aye.

3. STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- Environmental Quality (J. Ferrer) James Ferrer contacted David Jacobs to get an update on Green House Gas Emissions and City Energy Audit reports. The update is that both reports are still being reviewed by City Manager then, will be submitted to be reviewed by City Council. Reports will be ready for public comment and review sometime in 2012. New City of Garland website will encapsulate all environmental activities, Mr. Jacobs can find to date.
- **Keep Garland Beautiful** (B. Roberts) KGB has been invited to work with First Baptist Church on April 29th with their outreach day. Betty has asked CENAC members if anyone would like to volunteer that Sunday. Activities will include community work such as cleaning pre-selected people's yards, helping elderly people with any kind of project, etc.
- Recognition for Environmental Achievements (B. Roberts) Betty has continued her effort in trying to contact Mr. Jack Sparks from the Parks

Department, who will be recognized for his work with Rowlett bike trails. He will receive a certificate at the City Council meeting; pending his availability. The Shores of Wellington Neighborhood Association is in the pipeline to be recognized for outstanding work.

- Education (S. Purdom, B. Powers) Barbara spoke to the boy-scout leaders in her district and put together a report on various things their troops can do to improve the environment and do service in the community. She spoke about the Parks Department, Keep Garland Beautiful, storm water and storm drains, tree giveaway, electronic recycling, people helping people, household hazardous waste and also included information about the Dallas Off-Road Trail Association.
- Tree Ordinances (B. Powers) No Report
- Storm Drains / Adopt-A-Spot / Adopt-A-Watershed (D. Vines)

Adopt-A-Spot – Barry Swisher, from the Parks Department, reported that there had been a couple of calls.

Storm Drains – David reported that Paula said she was developing a storm water brochure.

4. OTHER TOPICS:

- I-Sign Training David informed that CENAC is officially a vendor with the city of Garland. Training will be delayed another month; David is waiting for the packet with training materials.
- GCAA Betty reported that Glenna FedEx'd the packet to Austin on Monday. Betty suggested CENAC members to read the packet and find out how much goes on in Garland and mentioned what a great job Glenna did at putting the packet together. Judging on packets will be March 1st and 2nd in Austin. Glenna will provide a copy at next CENAC meeting.
- Trash Bash Betty mentioned that CENAC members will be called on to help the week before the trash bash to get donations, buy food, volunteering time to set up, clean up, cook; same as every year. Barbara suggested only one team member for each volunteer group to turn in the report. James suggested Barbara to create check list for group leaders to go through ahead of time with those details. David asked to get a copy of a letter that can be used to request donations. James mentioned it would be best to stay within one's district. Also, James had an idea of engaging Chamber of Commerce's point of contact list and maybe cold-calling some of the largest businesses in the area. He would talk with Glenna about possible assistance from EWS as it would cost money to access such list. Ken will try to get the Mayor's list and start calling them for donations.

5. **FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**:

- I-Sign Training
- GCAA Update
- Preliminary Planning of Trash Bash
- Trash Bash Activity at Shores of Wellington

7. ADJOURNMENT - Chairpe	erson James Ferrer adjourned the meeting at 7:48pm.
Submitted By:	
Rosa I. Ortega	
Approved By:	Date:
James Ferrer, Chairperson	

6. **CITIZENS COMMENTS –** None.