

**Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Commission
Regular Meeting Summary
Wednesday, October 20, 2021
Hybrid Zoom/In-person
Conference Room 851 Edward Ball Building
214 N. Hogan St.**

Present (In Person): Katie Blandford, Chair; Chris Buckley, Melody Shacter

Staff: Jessica Denson, Dan Durbec

Via Zoom: Chet Aikens, Lauren Christiansen, Harrison Conyers, Von Fuller, Becky Henson

Absent: John Drayton, Jenna Kobischen, Jim Love, Kathleen McGovern, Margaret Meier, Harry Reagan, James Richardson, Juanita Senior, Alicia Smith, Alexander Traversa

Call to Order

Chair Blandford called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

New Business

Chair Blandford noted that today's meeting should be short since there were just a few new business items to discuss and some updates on other issues.

New Business

KJB Awards Nov. 17 at JEPB Awards Luncheon

Chair Blandford noted that the annual Keep Jacksonville Beautiful awards will be held at the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board's awards luncheon, on November 17 at UNF.

She noted that the Commission is purchasing luncheon tickets for KJB's award winners:

James Cook—Individual Category
Timucuan Parks Foundation—Organization Category
NAS Jax—Military Category
Fletcher High School—High School Category
Christ the King School—Elementary School Category
Chris Buckley—Jake Godbold Award

2022 Calendar of Events

A calendar of annual projects and events was distributed. These will include the events held in previous years. They are:

St. Johns River Celebration Cleanup—March 19
July 5th Beaches Cleanup

International Coastal Cleanup—September 17
Right Whale Beach Cleanup—Nov. 5
America Recycles Day—Nov. 12

Chair Blandford said that these are KJB's big events and if members think of another event that they would like added to the list, the Commission can discuss it.

2022 Meeting Calendar

The KJB meeting calendar for 2022 was distributed, Chair Blandford asked the group whether the current time, date and location worked for them. There was no objection to the proposed meeting calendar.

Chair Blandford said that the Commission hasn't had a retreat because of Covid. Officers are normally elected at that meeting, and currently with the resignation of James Cook, there is no vice chair.

As outlined in Section 2. A. Voting Members of Executive Order 2007-02, Commission members elect the Chair and Vice Chair. Voting members include:

- * City Employee, as determined by the Mayor
- * Council member, as may be recommended by the Council President
- * Duval County Public Schools Parent Teacher Association
- * Greenscape
- * Jax Pride
- * Medical Community
- * Military Community
- * Riverkeeper
- * Residents of Duval County

Voting members who are interested in being nominated should contact staff. Chair Blandford said the Executive Committee will meet in January to create a list of recommended nominees and bring it to the February 23 meeting for consideration. Voting must be done in person. There is no Zoom or on-line voting.

Old Business

Right Whale Beach Cleanup

The annual Right Whale Beach Cleanup is scheduled for 8 a.m. – 10 a.m., Saturday at Jacksonville Beach.

Chair Blandford said that at the last month's meeting she mentioned that Commissioners who participated in the cleanup could socialize after the cleanup. She said she would check the weather and will send out an invitation if the weather looks good.

America Recycles Day

The annual America recycles Day Event and Free Tree Giveaway in partnership with Greenscape will be held 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Saturday, November 13 in Parking Lot E at the TIAA Bank Field.

Chair Blandford said the event needs volunteers and urged Commissioners to sign up today.

The event will be promoted at the October 26 City Council meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.