

The Caney Community Betterment Group Foundation met in the City Hall Council Chambers on Tues., May 10, 2022 at 6:30 with several people in attendance.

Danny opened the meeting with prayer.

Everyone went over the minutes and Frank LaForge made a motion we accept them as is, Marilyn Nelson 2nd, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented. Frank LaForge made a motion we accept it, Jared Daniels 2nd, motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP

We have 76 members now. As we get new members we will start posting them on our facebook page, welcoming them to the Betterment Group.

MAYFEST COMMITTEE

Deanna has been posting on the Mayfest facebook page what vendors will be there this year, several new ones. The Community Church Service has 5 participating churches.

HOUSING

We had 2 realtors at the meeting to let us know what kind of housing is available in Caney as of right now. Brent Dilline and Megan Hockett. There are 5 active houses available in Caney to buy. Most people want to buy a turnkey home, due to financing. It's harder to get a loan for a fixer upper.

CITY WIDE CLEANUP

Shoutout to Lori Patterson for heading this up. There was a great turnout. We will be doing it again in October.

FOURTH & LIVE CONCERT

Ticket sales are coming along. Have a couple of food trucks that will be there, also the fire dept. will be selling food.

TOUR KANSAS WEBSITE

If you have an event that you want to put on the website get with Jared Daniels.

HOWARD PARK

Sign is ready to be put up whenever the city has time to do it.

FOOD PANTRY

We will have the ribbon cutting ceremony on June 11

EPA MEETING

Reminder to all that there will be a EPA virtual meeting, Thursday, May 12. You can go to the Food Pantry or City Hall Council Chambers if you can't connect at home. They will talk about their plan of action for Caney, retesting some places.

HOUSING ASSESSMENT TOOL

It's got some lengthy ground work to it. Danny proposed that the Betterment Group get all the paperwork together and present it to the City Council for them to apply for the grant if they vote to do it. Frank LaForge made a motion we go forward with this, Norma Scott 2nd, motion carried.

Melissa Lyons said that they are coming along on the Vendor Space at Canebrake Collective. Dalton and Laynee Powell is finishing up their Escape Rooms, which will be open on Memorial Day Weekend.

A.C.E.S. program (Boys & Girls Club) that Lauren Thornton heads up. Wants to do some projects around Caney. Paint the playground equipment, fix the picnic tables at the park. Flower boxes for downtown. Currently there are 52 kids in the program. Carolyn Shaw suggested that we could add another line item in our bank account to collect donations for it for people that wanted tax exemptions.

Frank LaForge made a motion we adjourn, Norma Scott 2nd, motion carried.

Secretary Deb Wood,

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