

Timothy Huey Director

To: Dee F Bruemmer, County Administrator

From: Timothy Huey, Planning Director

Date: December 12, 2012

Re: Recognition of Scott County Beautification Foundation Board and others for the Welcome to Scott County signs.

In October 2010, Mr Michael Giudici, on behalf of the Scott County Beautification Foundation came to the Board of Supervisors to propose a plan to install "Welcome to Scott County" signs at various locations where travelers enter Scott County. He did not request any funding from Scott County but stated that the funds would be raised privately. Rather he asked for the Board to endorse the project and allow the signs to be placed in appropriate locations.

In May, 2011 the Beatification Board released an RFP for sign design and Allen Sign Company was chosen to design and fabricate the signs. The design was presented to the Board of Supervisors for its input before the Foundation Board settled on the final design. The chosen design was for similar signs of two sizes, the smaller being a natural limestone sign to be placed along two lane roads with slower speed limits, the second larger sign would be fabricated from a heavy duty plastic but would appear as natural stone. These larger signs would be placed on 4 lane roads with higher speed limits.

The Beatification Board has taken a go slow approach, both due to limited funds but also to be sure that each sign is properly placed and landscaped. The first two signs were installed last year, with a large sign on the Y-40 overpass over US 61 in Blue Grass and the second was a smaller sign on old Hwy 6 in Durant's City Park. A third sign has just been installed this summer on the 305th Street overpass of Hwy 61 just south of the Wapsi River.

Most recently the Blue Grass sign has been landscaped with natural limestone and perennial & evergreen plants. The individuals and others that have worked on this project and/or made financial contributions are:

Scott County Beautification Board: Dr. Mike Giudici, Susan Anderson, Jim Hannon, Louis Fisher, Dick Fleischman, Betty Fogle, Kim Wilkins, Vern Harvey, Kathy Wine, and Cal Werner; Contributors to Greenway Habitat; Scott County Regional Authority, Dale & Jill Grunwald, Bruce Allen with Allen Sign Company, Brian Dockery with Riverstone Group, the Cities of Blue Grass and Durant.



WHEREAS, Michael Giudici, on behalf of the Scott County Beautification Foundation came to the Board of Supervisors in 2010 to propose a plan to install "Welcome to Scott County" signs at various locations;

WHEREAS, the funds to place the signs have been raised privately;

WHEREAS, all three signs have been strategically placed and have been or will be beautifully landscaped and;

WHEREAS, the placement of these signs contributes to both the residents of Scott County, and those that visit the area;

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Supervisors wants to offer their sincere appreciation to the following for their efforts and/or financial contributions for the "Welcome to Scott County" signs:

Mike Giudici, Betty Fogle, Louis Fisher, Dick Fleischman, Vern Harvey Susan Anderson, Jim Hannon, Kim Wilkins, Kathy Wine, and Cal Werner; Contributors to Greenway Habitat; Scott County Regional Authority, Dale & Jill Grunwald, Bruce Allen with Allen Sign Company, Brian Dockery with Riverstone Group, and the Cities of Blue Grass and Durant.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Scott County Board of Supervisors