



**TOWN OF SHADY SHORES
KEEP SHADY SHORES BEAUTIFUL
REGULAR SESSION
AUGUST 21, 2025; 6:00 PM
SHADY SHORES COMMUNITY CENTER
101 S. SHADY SHORES ROAD
SHADY SHORES, TX 76208**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. WORKSESSION
3. ROLL CALL
 Establish a quorum
- a. MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT
4. MINUTES:
 - a. Consider an action to approve the minutes of June 19, 2025, Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
5. OLD BUSINESS
 Consider and take action relative to ongoing projects and events as listed below.
 - a. Reschedule Arbor Day/Spring Clean Event, October 4, 2025 - Event status update
 - b. National Wildlife Community Habitat Affiliate Update
 - c. Shady Lane Meditation Garden Update
6. NEW BUSINESS
 Discuss any new projects to be considered at the next monthly meeting
 - a. Consider participation with Hickory Creek in their National Arbor Day Celebration on November 3, 2025
7. ADJOURN

The Keep Shady Shores Beautiful Agenda was posted in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act on _____, _____, _____ at _____: _____, _____.M.

IN ADDITION, A QUORUM OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY CHOOSE TO ATTEND THE Keep Shady Shores MEETING POSTED ABOVE. THEREFORE, THIS IS NOTICE OF A CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT THE SAME TIME AND PLACE, WITH THE SAME AGENDA AS THE Keep Shady Shores MEETING. IN THE EVENT A QUORUM OF COUNCIL IS PRESENT AT THE MEETING, NO ACTION OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE TAKEN. THIS NOTICE IS

POSTED AT THE TIME STATED ABOVE.

Katie Klein, Community Relations



Shady Shores

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JUNE 19, 2025; 6:00 PM
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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT

Susan Warren (2026, Chair),
Bill Krueger (2026)
Juan Hernandez Herrera (2025)
Gena Kemna (2026)
Melissa Migis (2026)
Ellie Grimes (2025)

Absent/Excused:

Whit Dieterch (2025, Vice Chair)
Maddy Grimes (2026)

STAFF PRESENT:

Charles Grimes (Council Liason)
Katie Klein

2. ROLL CALL

Establish a quorum

a. MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

3. MINUTES:

- a. Consider an action to approve the Minutes of February 20, 2025, Keep Shady Shores Beautiful Meeting Motion to approve February 20, 2025, minutes by Susan Warren, 2nd by Melissa Migis. All in favor. Motion passed.

4. WORKSESSION

5. OLD BUSINESS

Consider and take action relative to ongoing projects and events as listed below.

- a. Review plans and implementation. RESCHEDULE Spring Clean and Arbor Day Event

October 4, 2025 has been calendared as the reschedule date.

- b. Review National Wildlife Community Habitat program
The committee would like to recommend to the Town Council that Shady Shores become a National Wildlife Community Habitat.
- c. Review the new 2026 Keep Texas Beautiful standards
- d. Shady Lane Meditation Garden Update

6. NEW BUSINESS

Discuss any new projects to be considered at the next monthly meeting

7. ADJOURN

Susan Warren adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Passed and Approved this _____ day of _____

Chair, Keep Shady Shores Beautiful

Katie Klein, Community Relations
Staff Representative for Town of Shady Shores



DATE:	August 21, 2025
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Reschedule Arbor Day/Spring Clean Event, October 4, 2025 - Event status update

<u>BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:</u>
<u>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:</u>
<u>RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:</u>
<u>ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:</u>
None
<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



DATE:	August 21, 2025
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	National Wildlife Community Habitat Affiliate Update

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. NWF-Community-Wildlife-Habitat-Certification-Requirements

REVIEWED BY:

National Wildlife Federation’s Community Wildlife Habitat Certification Requirements



To achieve certification through the National Wildlife Federation’s Community Wildlife Habitat program, you must create or restore wildlife habitat in your community and do education and outreach.

First, a certain number of homes, schools and common areas must **become National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitats** by providing the four basic elements that all wildlife need: food, water, cover and places to raise young. The NWF Certified Wildlife Habitat program also requires sustainable gardening practices such as using rain barrels, reducing water usage, removing invasive plants, using native plants and eliminating pesticides. These requirements are based on population – see chart below.

Second, communities **earn education and outreach points** through a flexible checklist that includes educating citizens at community events, hosting a native plant sale, organizing a stream clean up, bringing new partners to the effort and hosting workshops – see pages 2 and 3.

Property Certification Requirements:

Activity / Type of Certification	Points
For each <i>home</i> certified, including townhomes and apartments	1
For each <i>common area</i> certified, including public parks, HOA common areas, businesses, places of worship, farms, universities and municipal buildings	3
For each <i>school</i> certified as an NWF Schoolyard Habitat - Pre-K - 12 or nature center	5

VERIFICATION: Each home or common area must be certified within 15 years of a community's registration date to count for points. Each school must be certified within 5 years. Older certifications can be counted if the community can verify that the habitat still exists.

Minimum Habitat Certification Points	Sliding Scale Based on Population Size
20	500 or Less
40	501-1,000
100	1,001-5,000
150	5,001-10,000
175	10,001-15,000
200	15,001-20,000
225	20,001-25,000
250	25,001-50,000
300	50,001-100,000
400	100,001-300,000
500	300,001-500,000
750	500,001-1,000,000
1000	1,000,001 or More

Education and Outreach Requirements:

Registration Goals – 40 Points Required	
Activity	Points
Name your NWF Community Wildlife Habitat project	5
Identify your Team Leader & Habitat Team Members (typically 3-7 total) & Register as NWF Volunteers	5
Set up system for tracking progress (journal, google doc, etc.)	5
Establish project goals & vision for one, three and five years with a budget	5
Submit your community summary for the NWF website	5
Complete the Community Assessment Form	5
Attend NWF Welcome Webinar for New Communities	5
Create plan for keeping all Habitat Team Members in regular communication	5
One member of your Habitat Team becomes an NWF Habitat Steward or Habitat Host Volunteer (not avail in all areas) (up to 5)	5
Send out a press release for about your community registration	5
Hold a call with NWF's state affiliate in you state if they are active in this program (NWF can facilitate)	5
Meet, call or otherwise connect with another Community Wildlife Habitat in your area (NWF can facilitate)	5
Obtain letter of support from community government officials (mayor, county commission, HOA president)	10
Pass a proclamation announcing your community's registration at your city council meeting	10
Plan & organize a kick-off celebration	10

Outreach Goals – 50 Points Required	
Activity	Points
Improve your community's weed ordinances or other public policies to make them more wildlife-friendly	10
Work with municipal park agencies to convert parkland to wildlife-friendly landscapes	10
Provide Garden for Wildlife information at a booth or table at a community event (up to 3 events)	5
Coordinate a stream cleanup, tree planting, invasive species removal, native plant rescue, trail clean-up, family nature event or other restoration event (up to 10 events)	10
Work with local nurseries to label and/or provide native plants	10
Each Habitat Team Member that serves on a community board or council related to environmental issues (up to 3)	5
Each presentation to an organization not yet associated with your project (up to 5)	5
Other Community Project (please discuss with NWF staff)	TBD

Education Goals – 40 Points Required	
Activity	Points
Create an information kiosk or permanent display at a public place (rec center, library, school) where the community can learn about the project (up to 3 kiosks / displays)	10
Create an NWF Certified Wildlife Habitat project brochure or fact sheet specific to your community	5
Create a website or web page where community members can learn about your project	10
Create and maintain a Facebook page or group or other social media site for your project	10
Write a regular column in your community newsletter or newspaper paper to about your project	10
Secure a feature article in the local media about your project (up to 3 feature articles)	10
Secure a radio or TV interview or PSA on your project	10
Host a workshop to educate community members about wildlife gardening (up to 5 workshops)	5
Create & distribute a native plant list for your community	5
Hold a garden tour that features certified habitats (up to 3 garden tours)	10
Create a demonstration garden at a public site with educational signs (up to 3 demonstration sites)	10
Launch a campaign to educate the community about an iconic plant or animal species for your community (i.e. - Baltimore's focus on the Oriole)	10
Recruit another community to register as an NWF Community Wildlife Habitat (up to 3)	5
Other Education Project (please discuss with NWF staff)	TBD

Administration Goals – 20 Points Required	
Activity	Points
Maintain and submit to NWF your online or paper project notebook / log	5
Identify the individuals that will make up the post-certification Habitat Team (typically 3-7 people)	5
Donate 5 wildlife, garden or other project-related photos to NWF	5
Per new volunteer registered with volunteer team (up to 10)	3
Per partner organization affiliated with your project (up to 5)	5
Each grant application submitted to support project (up to 3)	10
Participate in an NWF Community Wildlife Habitat conference call (up to 4)	5



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TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
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SUBJECT:	Shady Lane Meditation Garden Update

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