

About Us – Planning for the Future of Blanco County

Because of the overwhelming response to our first community meeting at Gem of the Hills, we are hosting a **second meeting to focus on getting input from the community** to decide what to do and how to go forward. This meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, October 27 at LBJ High School in Johnson City at 6:00PM**. RSVP is preferred but not required.

A few of the questions we hope to discuss at this meeting:

- What should we call ourselves?
- What is our mission?
- How will we be organized?
- What are our goals?
- What areas of conservation/preservation should we address?
- Who are we missing and who else do we need to bring in?

Background:

This "group without a name" was sparked by local resident, Susan Armstrong Fisher, and Christy Muse, who founded the Hill Country Alliance. They invited about 30 people who live or have property in Blanco County, plus some conservation experts from afar to a meeting at Andalusia Whiskey Company north of the City of Blanco to see if there was any interest in forming a Blanco County conservation group. After coordinating two small meetings, this group decided to organize a public event to bring in additional Blanco County residents who are interested in forming a conservation group. This first community meeting on September 15th brought in more than 170 locals concerned about "The Future of Blanco County" – much more than the 50-75 we had anticipated.

Who We Are (So Far):

We are an up-and-coming group of folks across Blanco County who see how rapidly our home is changing and want to get involved in better planning for our future! Our first community event was organized and planned by Susan Armstrong Fisher, April Sansom, Connie Barron, Katherine Romans, and Bob Heinonen. Since the first meeting, Dan Snodgrass and Kenneth Welch have joined the original 5 organizers. The Hill Country Alliance has also provided organizational support through several of its staff.

Above all, we are folks who care about Blanco County – its precious waters, starry night skies, historic ranches, and small-town charm that keeps us here in the first place. We believe that the future of Blanco County needs to be determined by and for its residents.

Spread the Word!

To RSVP for this event, please email blancocountyconservation@gmail.com. For sharing purposes, please see event posting on the Hill Country Alliance Calendar (<https://bit.ly/BlancoCounty1027>) and the Facebook event: <https://fb.me/e/2o5QMyMfn>