



Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 8, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Rowlett Community Centre, Room D
5300 Main Street, Rowlett TX 75088

PRESENT: Wayne Baxter, Rhetta Bowers, Lonnie Cornwell, Mike DeLatte, Kaitlyn Freeborn, Matt Grubisich, Blake Margolis, Zabrina Martinson, Ken Romaine, E.C. Umberger III

ABSENT: Linda Fugitt, Dolores Henning, Josh Kramer

VISTORS:

STAFF: Bruce Hargrave, City Council; Shelly Monroe, Sr. Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation

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1. Wayne Baxter, Chairman called meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
 2. Quorum present. Rhetta Bowers appointed as a voting member in place of Linda Fugitt's absence.
 3. Appoint new Vice-Chairman.
 - a. E.C. Umberger nominated and he accepted the nomination.
 - b. Mike DeLatte motioned to appoint E.C. Umberger as the Vice-Chairman for the remainder of the 2015-2016 term to replace Bruce Hargrave since he has been appointed to City Council. Lonnie Cornwell seconded the motion. Approved 8 = 0.
 4. Consider action to approve the May 11, 2016 minutes.
 - a. Ken Romaine motioned to approve.
 - b. Matt Grubisich seconded the motion.
 - c. Approved 8 - 0.
 5. Dry run of presentation for the City Council joint meeting with Parks and Recreation Board scheduled for July 5, 2016.
 - a. Information to include in the presentation for City Council was discussed such as accomplishments, board description including the primary function, goals, and future concerns.
 - b. W. Baxter relayed the importance of members being present for this meeting.
 6. Presentation by Keep Rowlett Beautiful on possible future plans for the Dan Robert's Environmental Learning Center - Lonnie Cornwell.
 - a. Background information provided on how the learning center (ELC) was developed, the mission and purpose of the center, the concept of the layout, learning opportunities and educational components, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification, funding, economic impact, etc. Similar learning centers are located in Dallas, Plano and Coppell.
 - b. The concept identifies the location at 6301 Chiesa Road on 4.73 acres. The future vision was presented. Several years ago it was unclear who the owner of the property and this is when a decision was made to place the ELC at Scenic Point Park. Now concern is access to Scenic Point



Park due to the lack of available parking therefore KRB is considering the location to remain at Chiesa Street space.

- c. Questions asked and answers provided. ELC will be a future agenda item for updates on the title of the property and discuss the location.

7. Status of Kids Kingdom Rebuild.

- a. Pour in Place materials were delivered today and surfacing will begin tomorrow. This process will take approximately 3 to 4 weeks.
- b. A Playground Committee meeting will be scheduled for June 21, 2016 at 6:00 to plan for the Grand Opening.
- c. Brief discussion on artist options for the mural wall.

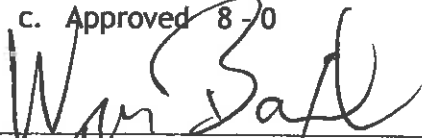
8. Public announcements by members of the Board and/or staff.

- a. Shelly Monroe announced Tree City USA has requested the Tree Advisory Board to complete an online survey therefore an email will be sent to each member with the information.
- b. S. Monroe reminded members volunteers are needed for the Fireworks on Main event and a sign-up sheet was passed around to members.
- c. M. DeLatte questioned opportunities to utilize those who need community service hours and how can the department coordinate with Police Department.

9. No members of the Board requested topics for future agenda meetings.

10. Adjournment

- a. Rhetta Bowers motioned to adjourn 8:15 pm
- b. Zabrina Martinson seconded motion
- c. Approved 8-0



Wayne Baxter, Chairman



Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation