



Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 10, 2017
7:00 p.m.

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

PRESENT: Alan Hogan, Lonnie Cornwell, Mike DeLatte, Gregory Craig, Bernadette Hagmeier, Dolores Henning, Blake Margolis, E.C. Umberger III, Nancy Develde

ABSENT: Maria Dellaplain, Matt Grubisich, Ken Romaine, Kimberli Martinez

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

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1. Chairman E.C. Umberger called meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
 2. Quorum present. New board member Nancy Develde was introduced.
 3. Consider action to approve minutes from April 12, 2017.
 - A. Mike DeLatte made a motion to approve the minutes as written.
 - B. Bernadette Hagmeier seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 7 - 0.
 4. Rowlett Youth Soccer Association.
 - A. Jason Hagmeier, President of RYSA, presented information on the association. The soccer climate for recreation soccer and competitive soccer was explained. Current recreation membership numbers are 90 teams with 937 players. Current competitive membership numbers include 8 teams with an expected increase of 12 teams next year. Financial summary information was shared with board members. Sponsorships, TeamSafe, and Olympic Development Programs for NTX were briefly discussed. Some of their requests are lighting on fields, bathrooms rather than port-a-lets, more parking and new goals. Some of their wishes revolve around more exposure such as signage, partner programs and information on City website.
 - B. It was inquired if the Sports Associations can provide some information on the RTN Channel 16. Angela Smith will inquire and provide an answer. A. Smith continued with some positive feedback on the partnership working better with RYSA and Dallas Youth Soccer.
 5. Discuss presentation for joint meeting with City Council to be held July 11, 2017.
 - A. A. Smith, along with EC Umberger, introduced materials to possibly use in the presentation followed with discussion.
 - B. The board wants to develop a subcommittee of 4 persons to further expand on acting as the City's Tree Board.
 6. Public input and questions.

No visitors for public input or questions.
 7. Update from City Council liaison, Bruce Hargrave.
 - A. Councilmember Hargrave reported on the recent election and canvassing will occur on May 16, 2017. B. Hargrave will serve a new 3-year term on City Council.
 - B. Council approved two projects last week and he shared information on both of these projects.



- C. Park pro-rata funds was discussed.
- D. Positive feedback provided revolved around the department's recent events, as well as activities at the RCC. Board members were encouraged to continue promoting what the city has to offer for the community.
- E. Mayor Gottel recently resigned so he can campaign for Dallas County Commissioner. On June 7th candidates may begin to file for the Mayor's seat. If any seated Councilmembers decide to file for the Mayor's seat, that Councilmember will need to resign their seat in order to file, leaving the seat vacant. There will be a special election on August 26, 2017 for the seat of Mayor and if there are any open Council seats.

8. Director's Report - Angela Smith

- A. Pecan Grove has received three new shade structures between Kids Kingdom and Wet Zone. These shade structures will provide some needed shade and seating for playground participants. New picnic tables will be installed.
- B. Kid Fish had approximately 250 to attend the event. Prizes and trophies were awarded to winners in three age division. Appreciation was expressed for Boy Scout Troop 1020 for helping with the measuring station and baiting.
- C. Cardboard Boat Regatta was re-scheduled to May 6th due to weather conditions. There were 11 boats who participated and 8 of those boats made it back to shore.
- D. The chain link fence on Dalrock will be replaced with decorative and noise-absorbing living vegetation. As part of this process the trash brush and trees have been removed.
- E. Community Centre renovations continue: Electrical is being run and dry wall is almost complete. Texturing and painting will soon be done.
- F. Kids Kingdom has received some ADA compliant updates including extended handrails and extending the entrance.
- G. Wet Zone has certified 29 lifeguards and finishing up projects to get ready for opening on May 13, 2017.
- H. Parks team had two more crew members pass the TDA Pesticide Applicators test and this will allow us to have better turf grass by eliminating the weeds and pests.
- I. The Hike/Bike and Master Plan Community Engagement meeting will be held at the Rowlett Community Centre from 6:30pm - 8:00pm.
- J. The final plans for the Green Ribbon funding through TxDOT for landscaping enhancements along State Highway 66 has been approved by Council.

9. Public announcements by members of the Board and/or staff were made.

Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at RCC on May 27, 2017 beginning at 10:00am featuring Touch-A-Truck

10. Members of the Board may request topics for future agenda meetings.

No topics requested.

11. Adjournment

- A. M. DeLatte made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.
- B. B. Hagmeier seconded the motion.
- C. Unanimously approved by all members present.

E.C. Umberger, Chairman

Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation