



Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 13, 2017
7:00 p.m.

City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street, Rowlett TX 75088

PRESENT: Alan Hogan, Lonnie Cornwell, E.C. Umberger, Mike DeLatte, Gregory Craig, Nancy DeVelde, Ken Romaine

ABSENT: Dolores Henning, Bernadette Hagmeier

VISTORS: Dale Morgan, Matt Grubisich


STAFF: Shelly Monroe, Sr. Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation

1. Chairman E.C. Umberger called meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve minutes from August 9, 2017.
 - A. Mike DeLatte moved to approve the minutes as written.
 - B. Lonnie Cornwell seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Discuss topics to cover during the Parks Board Boot Camp on October 14, 2017.
 - A. This special meeting is scheduled to set goals and objectives, as well as cover information for board orientation. Members shared suggestions of topics to be included on the agenda. Outstanding and future CIP projects and the Master Plan will also be covered.
 - B. The location will be at the Rowlett Community Centre from 8:00am to 1:00pm.
 - C. Members discussed whether to have a park tour or not. It was decided for a handout to be provided for members to go out on their own and provide feedback at the boot camp.
 - D. M. DeLatte requested to review each park and the things that still need to be done in each park. EC Umberger inquired about what type of impact Bayside has for Parks and Recreation. A. Smith responded she would seek further information to provide an answer. Gregory Craig asked about the possibility of getting drone snapshots of different parks and in the future the video could be used to promote Parks and Recreation.
5. Public input and questions.

Rockwall County Open Space Alliance, Dale Morgan board member, shared they are a non-profit organization to discuss open space issues and goals then determine plans of action. Presently board members are interfacing with cities and periodically attending Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meetings to hear what issues neighboring cities are dealing with and/or doing for protection of green space.
6. Director's Report - Angela Smith
 - A. Movies at Pecan Grove Park began two weeks ago, and the last event is this upcoming Friday featuring Beauty and the Beast. The movie begins at dusk which is approximately 8:00pm. Other activities include face painting, music and bounce house.



- B. The Pickle Ball storage was installed at Herfurth Park. Costs to refurbish the basketball court and tennis courts are being researched. This would be on the list of future projects and will be presented to the CIAB for possible bond election inclusion.
 - C. Engineered fibar was replenished on play surfaces at Community Park to make the playgrounds safer and more enjoyable.
 - D. Diversity Day is October 7, 2017 from 11:00am-2:00pm located at Rowlett Community Centre. This event is for all ages and there is no admission fee.
 - E. The Dalrock Road Live Screening Wall construction is now 99.9% complete. There are small adjustments to make between the beds and the roads. This project was funded by the Community Enhancement Fund.
 - F. Phase One of Schrade Bluebonnet Park is underway. The main sidewalk leading to the sculpture is complete. Waiting on artwork will be installation. This park project is funded by the Parks Pro Rata Fund.
 - G. The Rowlett Community Centre is running a membership special through September 20th. Offering 20% off for a new youth membership that is valid for one year from date of purchase. A 15% discount for an annual family package membership.
 - H. National Night Out will be held October 3rd. Contact Officer Dana Reeves in the Police Department's Community Services Division to register your neighborhood's celebration or for more information.
 - I. Paddle Point and Lakeside Park CIP projects are in process. First schematic drawings came back from la terra studio, Inc. that include a new parking lot at Paddle Point, a crosswalk on Miller Road and a restroom at Lakeside Park. This project is still in preliminary discussions. It will also include erosion control and possibly some playground updates. There are engineering questions and answers that will determine the exact layout design. Questions asked by board members and A. Smith provided answers.
7. Public announcements by members of the Board and/or staff were made.
- A. Matt Grubisich shared some special thanks and expressed appreciation to board members for their time spent on this board and the time spent on various projects.
 - B. Ken Romaine shared for the first time at the Rowlett Radio Control Club there were 34 boy scouts who flew planes.
 - C. A. Smith encouraged members to complete the survey for the Master Plan. The survey can be obtained by going to the City Website then the department page or there are hard copies available at the Rowlett Community Centre. Members were asked to assist with getting the word out to others to provide input on the survey.
 - D. G. Craig mentioned he has information on ziplines if the city ever looks at considering providing this.
8. Members of the Board may request topics for future agenda meetings.
Lonnie Cornwell requested the Dan Robertson Environmental Learning Center.
9. Adjournment
- A. L. Cornwell moved to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.
 - B. G. Craig seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 6 - 0.


EC Umberger, Chairman


Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation