



**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, August 8, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**

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

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**PRESENT:** Donna Ferguson, Ken Romaine, Diana Moore, Gregory Craig, Mike DeLatte, Lonnie Cornwell, Dolores Henning, E.C. Umberger, Bernadette Hagmeier, Alan Hogan, Sean McGrew

**ABSENT:** Nancy DeVelde

**VISTORS:**

**STAFF:** Shelly Monroe, Sr. Administrative Assistant; Richard Harris, Parks & Recreation Operations Manager

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1. Chairman EC Umberger called meeting to order at 7:01pm.
  2. Quorum present.
  3. Consider action to approve minutes from July 11, 2018.
    - A. Ken Romaine moved to approve the minutes as written.
    - B. Dolores Henning seconded the motion.
    - C. Approved 7 - 0.
  4. Scarecrows on Main. (Bernadette Hagmeier joined meeting)
    - A. Elise Bowers introduced herself and announced the next Citizen's City Academy begins September 6, 2018 and lasts for 12 weeks. Registration is open until August 23, 2018.
    - B. Rowlett's Neighborhood Life is hosting Scarecrows on Main which will begin in October. Photos of scarecrows from last year were shown. The type of spaces available were identified. This is open to all the community non-profits, businesses and residents. Parks Advisory Board was encouraged to participate. The registration information will be posted on city website and advertised on social media soon.
  5. Scentral Bark Buddies Update.

Donna Ferguson reported they held their first Scentral Social Splash Day and it was deemed a success with approximately 30 persons in attendance. The event scheduled for August is cancelled due to the hot weather and not to cause any conflicts with the Pooch Plunge that is to be held August 12, 2018.
  6. Urban Forestry Subcommittee Update.

Alan Hogan reported the meeting scheduled for today was cancelled. There is no update from Sam Lawrence regarding the feedback from developers. It is possible a meeting will be called later this month.
  7. Update on the development of a non-profit organization development.
    - A. Mike DeLatte stated the plans to have a group of five for this organization continues to be progressing. This group will be more of a support, to assist with



updates, act as a “think tank”, etc. He does not feel this will a huge time consumption for a member.

- B. The inquiry was made for a Park Board member to volunteer to be a part of this organization. Dolores Henning offered to be the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board representative. Lonnie Cornwell made a motion to appoint Dolores Henning as a board representative on the non-profit organization development team. Gregory Craig seconded the motion. Approved 8 to 0.

8. Update from City Council liaison, Blake Margolis.

Blake Margolis was not present to provide any updates.

9. Public input and questions.

No input or questions.

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

- A. Mike DeLatte announced the Men’s State Championship tournament will be held this weekend.
- B. Alan Hogan mentioned the Grand Opening of Schrade Bluebonnet Park and the dedication of the Spirit of Rowlett Sculpture is to be held August 25, 2018.
- C. Ken Romaine reported the Boy Scouts event at the Rowlett Radio Flyers Club was held this past Saturday and there was a big crowd of over 50 scouts.

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

- A. Results from the walk through of various park visits.
- B. Update on the Hwy 66 Green Ribbon Project.

12. Adjournment at 7:25pm



EC Umberger, Chairman



Ricky Harris, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager