



MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
MARCH 2, 2015

REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME** – The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was called to order at approximately 6:04 p.m. by Councilor Corn-Best.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present: Councilor Juan Oropesa and Councilor Jeanine Corn-Best.

Staff present included Tim Williams, Director of Parks and Recreation, Gina Amos, Elaine Mayfield

Guests present included Donald Daugherty, JW Bloodhart, Jeff Jackson, Larry Connally, and Vernon Dyer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Oropesa motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Corn-Best was the second. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Councilor Oropesa motioned to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015 meeting. Councilor Corn-Best was the second. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS**

2. Discussion on drones in the park  
Tim Williams gave a brief description of the ever-emerging issue of drones in the park. The legislation that is already in place, and maybe what the City may or may not need to do to address this issue. Bob Edwards brought this issue to Tim Williams. It was suggested that Bob Edwards draft some sort of ordinance for the City to look at in the near future.
3. Review on park signs  
Elaine Mayfield gave a brief description of the park signage that she has been working on to include Altrusa Park, Golf Course signs, Spring River Zoo sign, and Enchanted Lands signs. The goal is to put into place a unified signage system for the City.
4. Discussion on Cost Recovery and Program Pricing Model  
Tim Williams gave a brief description of the Cost Recovery and Program Pricing Model. He explained how the Cost Recovery and Program Pricing Model works,

mostly applicable to Recreation. Parks and Recreation is working to introduce and implement these models into our programs.

5. Discussion on Cahoon Pool operations for summer  
Tim Williams gave a brief description of the Cahoon Pool operations for this coming summer. Previously under contract, the number of people using the pool has plummeted. Therefore, Tim is going to recommend that the City take over the operations. He has crunched the numbers and is confident that he can save the City money and increased attendance. He plans to have RFP for the concession stand.
6. Discussion on youth sports groups  
Tim Williams gave a brief description of the meeting set for Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 7 pm to meet at the Parks and Recreation office with the youth sports groups to let them know about the change in fees, go over the maintenance of the sports fields, liability of the use of the ATV's, and other related topics. This meeting is to increase communication and encourage everyone to have some input on the use of the sports facilities.

#### **REGULAR ITEMS (ACTION)**

7. Approval of Fee Schedule  
Councilor Oropesa and Councilor Corn-Best agreed to send the Fee Schedule on to the Finance Committee to take a look at it.
8. Veteran's Cemetery Master Plan  
Jim Bloodhart gave a brief description and vision of the Veteran's Cemetery Master Plan. Donald Daugherty gave a brief description of the more detailed plans for the Pavilion on the Master Plan. Councilor Oropesa motioned to approve the Veteran's Cemetery Master Plan as presented and to move on to City Council. Councilor Corn-Best was the second. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS (NON-ACTION)**

9. Public Comments

Vernon Dyer gave a brief description of the 400 meter track he proposed at the last Committee meeting. He and Damian Cheatum chose a location at Cielo Grande to place the track. Tim Williams suggested that the Engineering department take a look at the location, make sure there aren't any pipes or fiber optics underground.

Councilor Corn-Best and Councilor Oropesa stated that this project does not need to go on to City Council as it will not have any facilities and will not cost the City any money. Therefore, Councilors Corn-Best and Oropesa stated that this project can remain at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Larry Connelly commented on the work that is undone at the softball complex. Mr. Williams responded that Ken Smith is taking a look at the awnings that were never put in and getting pricing on those to see what it would take to have them put in.

He also suggested that the City take everything out of the Yucca Center and relocate it to the Convention Center.

**ADJOURN**

Councilor Oropesa motioned to adjourn. Councilor Corn-Best seconded. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 6, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Submitted by: Gina Montague Amos