

**PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

Regular meeting held at
Florence Recreation Center
2501 Whitson Way

7 p.m.

April 12, 2018

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Faustino Leos called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Faustino Leos, Susan Erickson, Gary Caldwell, Keith Briggs, Sheila Lynn, Ken Burris and Leonard C. Williams.

Members Absent: Kelly Wagoner and Brooks Watts.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Harrell, Robert Blankenship, Glen Taft, Nikki Sassenus and Lilliana Cindo.

III. Adoption of Minutes

Susan Erickson moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018 meeting as presented. Sheila Lynn seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

IV. Hear From the Public

None

V. New Business

A. Tour Route Discussion

Elizabeth Harrell presented proposed tour sites. The route consists of KidsQuest, Brickyard Cemetery, Loncy Leake, City Lake Aquatic Center, Rutherford Recreation Center and Dunford Recreation Center. The Board reviewed and approved the sites.

B. CIP Five Year Plan

Elizabeth Harrell handed out the five year capital improvement plan. She explained and went over the ongoing and future projects.

C. Summer Sizzle Update

Nikki Sassenus informed the event is scheduled for June 9, 2018. It will start at noon and the fireworks show will be at 9:30 pm. Some activities include food trucks, kid's zone, yard games, mud volleyball tournament, bark zone and live music.

VI. Subcommittee/Staff Reports

A. CIP Report

Robert Blankenship provided an updated CIP projects list for the Board to review.

Highlights include:

- Florence Park enhancements done.
- Vanston Park Playground out for bid.
- Vanston Pool Replaster is underway and scheduled for completion in May.

- Brickyard Cemetery monument is underway and scheduled for completion in early May.
- Dunford Recreation Center restroom counters were replaced and green canyon room received fresh paint.

B. Recreation Services

Nikki Sassenus provided an update of recreation services programs and events.

Highlights include:

- Spring Youth Volleyball league is underway.
- Swim lesson registration will begin Saturday, May 5th.
- Adults 50+ program participants stayed busy with activities that included; a trip to Mammoth Museum in Waco, Texas Tulips in Pilot Point and Classic Cars in Sherman. Wii Bowling league began with 6 teams participating.
- Mother Son Dance was held March 9th at the Mesquite Convention Center and was sold out. 650 mothers and their sons filled the dance floor for an evening of fun.
- Breakfast with the Bunny held on April 8th at Evans Recreation Center was a successful event with an estimated 850 participants.
- KidFish is scheduled for April 28, 2018 at City Lake Park.
- Cinco de Mayo is scheduled for May 5, 2018 at Paschall Park.

C. Park Services

Glen Taft provided an update of Park Services operations.

Highlights include:

- Staff continues to perform maintenance on infields and outfields during sports season.
- Aquatics preparation is underway.
- Parks drinking fountains are turned on for the season.
- Park maintenance continues to improve landscaping.

D. Golf Course

Elizabeth Harrell provided an update of the Golf Course operations. Rounds fluctuate depending on weather, we have had one of the wettest winters. Staff is getting ready for the Buddy Copeland tournament hosted in partnership with MISD on May 5, 2018.

VII. Board Concerns

None

VIII. Requests for Information, Agenda Items

IX. Adjournment

Gary Caldwell moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sheila Lynn and was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



 Elizabeth Harrell, Director
 Parks and Recreation Department

Date Approved: 6-14-18