

## MINUTES

### PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 11, 2019

#### CITY HALL – BRIEFING ROOM

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alexander (Sandy) McLachlan, Chair  
Reginald Hurd, Vice-Chair  
Leo Bell, Jr.  
Pamela Rogers  
Don Johnson  
Beth Farrell

#### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ed Priest

Bart Stevenson, Parks and Recreation Director, Timothy Hamilton, Park Superintendent, and Noel Garcia, Recreation Superintendent were staff members present.

Chair Alexander McLachlan noted that there was a quorum present and began the public meeting at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Item #1 – Public Discussion Period:**

No comment.

#### **Item #2 – Discuss and Approve Minutes:**

A motion was made by Board Member Leo Bell, Jr.; seconded by Vice-Chair Reginald Hurd to approve the minutes from the October 14, 2019 Regular Meeting, passing 6-0 in favor.

#### **Item #3 – Board Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson:**

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Hurd; seconded by Board Member Pamela Rogers to elect Chair Alexander McLachlan as Chairperson, passion 6-0.

A motion was made by Board Member Leo Bell, Jr.; seconded by Vice-Chair Reginald Hurd to elect Board Member Pamela Rogers as Vice-Chairperson, passion 6-0.

#### **Item #4 - Board Member Announcements:**

Board Member Leo Bell, Jr. commented that Mud Hook Craft Brewery on Main St. opens Nov. 15, 2019.

#### **Item #5 – Staff Reports:**

**A. Police/Park Ranger Report** – There is no longer a Park Ranger.

**B. Recent and Upcoming Events and Programs** – Director Bart Stevenson commented on the success for Boo Bash 2019, upcoming activities for Parks and Recreation:

- Christmas Tree and Lighting – Friday, December 6 from 7p – 10p
- Recreation Center Membership Drive – January 2020

- C. Bond Project Schedule Update** – Lakeside, Harrington, and Armstrong Park bond projects are underway.
- D. Texas Parks and Wildlife Local Park Grant** – A resolution will be presented to City Council on Nov. 19, 2019.
- E. Wi-Fi and Cameras in the Parks** – Information was sent out in City Manager’s weekly report.
- F. Park Board Float in Christmas Parade** – Vice-Chair Reginald Hurd will coordinate the Parks Board Float for the Christmas parade but will need a generator for the float.
- G. Park Hours Review Committee** – The committee made the recommendation for no change to the current park hours.

**Item #6 – Discuss Youth Football in Duncanville:**

Duncanville Tigers, Heat, Sharks, Vikings, Longhorns will need get with Duncanville ISD to look at DeSoto guidelines. Staff will also work with Mr. Berry to establish a youth football association and provide weekly reports.

**Item #7 – Discuss Preferred Bike/Trail Routes:**

This item was tabled.

**Item #8 – Discuss Opportunities for a Dog Park:**

Staff and Board discussed the possibility of a dog park at Rotary Park lot East side of Venice.

**Item #9 – Discuss and Make a Recommendation Concerning a Draft Revision of the Facility Rental Policy:**

Staff and the Board reviewed final reservation policy and Director Stevenson noted that the Recreation Center staff have already informed the current long-term renters of the new policy effective January 1, 2020.

A motion was made for the meeting to adjourn by Vice-Chair Reginald Hurd; seconded by Board Member Leo Bell, Jr. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
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Timothy Hamilton for Angie Martinez  
Recording Secretary

  
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Alexander (Sandy) McLachlan  
Chair