

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Joint Meeting with Duncanville City Council
Monday, February 10, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A joint meeting of the Duncanville City Council and the Park and Recreation Board was called to order for City Council by Mayor Barry L. Gordon and for the Park and Recreation Advisory Board by Chair Sandy McLachlan on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Northside Room at the D.L. Hopkins Senior Center with a quorum of the City Council to wit:

Barry L. Gordon	Mayor
Don McBurnett	Mayor Pro Tem
Patrick Harvey	Councilmember At-Large
Joe Veracruz	Councilmember
Monte Anderson	Councilmember
Mark D. Cooks	Councilmember
Johnette Jameson	Councilmember – Absent

and with a quorum of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to wit:

Sandy McLachlan	Chair
Pamela Rogers	Vice Chair
Mary (Beth) Farrell	Board Member
Don Johnson	Board Member
Leo Bell, Jr.	Board Member
Reginald Hurd	Board Member
Ed Priest	Board Member - Absent

2. CITY COUNCIL WILL DELIBERATE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, HOWEVER NO VOTE OR ACTION BY THE COUNCIL WILL BE TAKEN.

2.A *Update on activities from the Park Board.*

Chair Sandy McLachlan stated the Park Board has been busy and is privileged to be the Chair of an exceptional board and provided Council with a list of accomplishments.

2.B *Discuss a Dog Park in Duncanville.*

Vice Chair Reginald Hurd discussed the possible location of having a Dog Park at Rotary Park. Councilmember Anderson stated Rotary Park is a good location and encouraged the Park Board to look into renting parking spaces for food trucks to help with the upkeep of the dog park.

Citizen Comments:

Phil Woodall – stated that a dog park is a need for the City but need build correctly; it encourages citizens to interact. There should be separation of large and small dogs.

Rita Morena – encouraged Council and the Park Board to provide a new study to ask the citizens on a preferred location and stated dog parks should be close to animal shelters.

Patricia Ebert – encouraged Council to look into allowing Food Trucks within the City before the dog park is established so the dog park can benefit from that aspect as well.

Sharon Fabrega – loves the idea of the City having a dog park and recommended keeping the larger and smaller dogs separate; Tri-Cities Animal Shelter would be a great source for input.

Mayor Gordon asked the Park Board and Staff to bring a plan back to Council.

2.C Discuss Trail Improvements.

Member Beth Farrell provided a draft of the suggested eight (8) mile loop that would require three (3) phases. Mayor Gordon questioned if the phases only required paint and signs to move forward. Ms. Farrell stated yes; areas in Phase One would connect to the future trails. The eight (8) mile loop would connect with the schools and parks. Council agreed with the Park Boards plan. Staff will work with the Park Board to determine costs of feasibility.

2.D Discuss Goals and Objectives of City Council related to Parks and Recreation Board.

The Park Board thanked Council for all their support with their upcoming projects. Council thanked the Park Board for all their hard work and are excited to see what is to come.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Alexander (Sandy) McLachlan
CHAIR

ATTEST:

Kristin Downs
CITY SECRETARY

Angie Martinez
Board Secretary