



Sachse, Texas

Sachse City Hall
3815 Sachse Road
Building B
Sachse, Texas 75048

Minutes - Full Report Parks and Recreation Commission

Thursday, April 12, 2012

7:00 PM

City Hall

The Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Sachse held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 12, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Sachse City Hall, 3815 Sachse Road, Building B, Sachse, Texas to consider the following items of business:

Present 7 - Commission Member Kirsten Hill, Commission Member Brett Franks, Commission Member Diana Smith, Commission Member Spencer Hauenstein, Chairman Jeff Bickerstaff, Commission Member Juanita Miller, and Vice Chair Darlene Putman

Also present: Council Liaison Jared Patterson, Parks Director Lance Whitworth and Activity Coordinator Cynthia Wiseman.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chairman, Jeff Bickerstaff.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags

Chairman, Jeff Bickerstaff led the board in the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

3. 12-0814 Consider approval of the minutes of the March 6, 2012 Special Meeting.

Executive Summary

Approve minutes of the March 6, 2012 Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Spencer Hauenstein and seconded by Brett Franks to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Discuss and consider request by the Sachse Amateur Radio Association to use Salmon Park throughout the night starting on June 23 and ending June 24.

Mr. Whitworth introduced this item concerning the Sachse Amateur Radio Association wanting to use Salmon Park for a 24 hour period training session on June 23 and June 24. He discussed that in the current park ordinance it states that written permission must be obtained from the Parks and Recreation Commission for the use of a park facility past city park curfew.

Representative, from the Amateur Radio Association, Bill Colwill, 3709 Sable Lane, spoke to the board about the plans the association had for this one day event held worldwide each year. The event will run from Noon on June 23 until

Noon on June 24. The public is invited to learn what the group is about and how they provide emergency and backup communications during an emergency event and other city events, such as Fallfest and the cleanup event. Jeffrey Locke, 4523 Harvest Lane, the President of the Amateur Radio Association, also informed the board on the event. After discussion, a motion was made by Spencer Hauenstein and seconded by Kirsten Hill, to approve the Sachse Amateur Association be allowed to use Salmon Park from Noon on June 23 to Noon on June 24. Motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Ms. Juanita Miller abstaining from the vote.

Discuss and consider future plans for Firefighter's Park.

Mr. Whitworth reported that staff is still working on obtaining ownership of the small parcel of land at the park that is currently not owned by the City. Mr. Whitworth reported that we cannot use the funeral home parking. We have to have our own parking. The recommended number of spaces is 8 and the cost is estimated at just under \$15,000 with 2 handicap parking spaces. To open the park we have to have a parking lot and ADA accessibility to whatever equipment we have in the park.

Discuss and consider Arbor Day / Spring Cleanup event on April 14, 2012.

Mr. Whitworth reported that we have over 350 people signed up and 15 organizations. The event will be held in the amphitheater starting at 9 AM, Saturday morning when the Mayor will read proclamations and Micah Pace will present the Tree City USA flag. Groups will disperse to their cleanup locations and then return to the amphitheater to hear the band and eat hot dogs.

Staff updates regarding current activities, special events, and personnel.

Mr. Whitworth reported that we had the Easter events, starting with the Easter Egg Scramble with 320 participants, then the Doggie Bone Hunt we had about 100 people and 40 dogs, and then the flashlight egg hunt we had over 400 participants. On May 12, we will have the Movie in the Park in the amphitheater. Mr. Jared Patterson spoke about the YMCA program that a group of citizens are trying to bring into Sachse. There will be camps going on over the summer.

Request for future agenda items.

Requests were made to discuss the Independence Day Parade, Firefighter's Park, and YMCA.

Set upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission meeting date.

The meeting was set for May 10, 2012, at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:08 PM by Spencer Hauenstein. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

COMMISSION SECRETARY

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN