



Sachse, Texas
Minutes – Full Report
Parks and Recreation Commission

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

Thursday, September 13, 2012

7:00 PM

City Hall

The Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Sachse will hold a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 9, 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 6 - Commission Member Diana Smith, Commission Member Spencer Hauenstein, Commission Member Juanita Miller, Commission Member J. D. Pruitt, Chairman Jeff Bickerstaff, and Vice-Chair Darlene Putman

Also present: City Council Liaison Brett Franks, Parks Director Lance Whitworth, and Activity Coordinator Cynthia Wiseman.

1. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Jeff Bickerstaff.
2. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags**
The invocation and pledge of allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags was led by Chairman Jeff Bickerstaff.
3. **12-1062 Consider approval of the August 9, 2012 meeting.**

A motion was made by Spencer Hauenstein and seconded by Darlene Putman to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Introduction of new Parks and Recreation Commission member.**

Mr. Bickerstaff introduced and welcomed the new Parks and Recreation Commission member Mr. J. D. Pruitt.
5. **12-1085 Discuss and consider Parks and Recreation Department's proposed 2012-2013 Budget.**

Mr. Whitworth discussed the adopted budget for the Parks & Recreation Department. There have been no major increases in the budget. Ms. Putman asked how the addition of trees on Bunker Hill will affect staff with no increases in the budget. Mr. Whitworth reported that he will be able to allow the contract mowing service to maintain that portion of Bunker Hill to help with the upkeep of the trees.

6. **Discuss and consider the City's program on diseased/dead trees and brush.**

Mr. Whitworth reported that we are engaged in tree care throughout the City by going through proper procedures on removing diseased and dead trees. We have cleaned up Salmon Park as well as contacted the railroad about removing trees along the railroad right-of-way on Highway 78. When the railroad doesn't comply after being notified by both the Parks & Recreation Department and Code enforcement, we go in and clear the trees out.

7. **Discuss and consider Firefighter's Park located at 2837 5th Street.**

The City hasn't been able to acquire the piece of land in the back portion of Firefighter's Park. We are going to go ahead with the project and replat the piece of property with the piece of land removed. When the City begins building, we won't build anything on that piece of property.

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

Mr. Whitworth asked for volunteers from the Park Board to read stories at the November 8, library storytime for the America Recycles Day campaign. Jeff Bickerstaff, Diana Smith, and J.D. Pruitt volunteered to each read a story. We are on the Council agenda for the November 5 America Recycles Day Proclamation. Mr. Whitworth also asked for Park Board volunteers to assist with the Pumpkin Hunt on October 27. We have a sponsor that is donating three bounce houses for the event and we'll need volunteers to help monitor each of the bounce houses. Diana Smith and Jeff Bickerstaff both volunteered to help with this event.

9. **Request for future agenda items.**

Requests were made to discuss Firefighter's Park and Fallfest.

10. **Set upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission meeting date.**

The next board meeting was set for October 11, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

11. **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:35 PM by Spencer Hauenstein.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN