

City of Sachse
Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Jeff Bickerstaff, Chairperson
Scott Whitfield, Vice-Chair
Juanita Miller
Kirsten Hill
Spencer Hauenstein
Darlene Putman
Jared Patterson, City Council Liaison
Lance Whitworth, Parks Director
Cynthia Wiseman, Activity Coordinator

Absent:

The Special Meeting of the City of Sachse Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairperson, Jeff Bickerstaff.

Item 1 – Approval of minutes of the May 13, 2010 Regular Meeting: Minutes from the May 13, 2010, meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Scott Whitfield and seconded by Darlene Putman to accept the minutes with the change noted that the ending time was at 7:50 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 2 – Citizen Input – No Citizen Input.

Item 3 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Parks Master Plan– Mr. Whitworth reported that the Master Plan is scheduled to go to Council for approval at the June 21, 2010 meeting.

Item 4 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Salmon Park– Mr. Whitworth reported that the lights have been installed and the majority of the concrete walkways are complete. The basketball court is in place, along with the post and poles. The restroom and concession have been sandblasted and the concession stand is ready for the interior work to be done. The bleacher area has been poured with concrete. They started work on the backstop and dugout.

Item 5 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Security Lighting at Joe and Patricia Stone Park – Mr. Whitworth gave a short presentation of the solar lighting options along with a cost breakdown to run electricity to the park and have electric poles and the cost to have decorative versus a street type solar light.

Richard Miller – 6505 Hilltop Trail – Spoke about lighting options at the park and some of the research he had done on solar lighting.

Dave Sanford - 3718 Trailridge Drive – Stated that he had discussed the security issue with the City Manager and found out that it is the job of the Parks Department to take care of lighting issues in parks, not the Police Department.

Jared Patterson – City Council Liaison - Wanted to know what the budget looks like this year in regards to installing the security light with this year’s budget.

Charles Anderson – 5009 Springtree – Wants to know how much lighting we have in other parks like Salmon Park and if there is a need for more lighting at that park.

Mr. Whitworth responded that there are no funds in the current year budget to install a single light but he did request \$4,000 in next year’s budget to have one solar light installed in the park.

Item 6 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Littering Ordinance and Recycling Bins in Parks– Mr.

Whitworth reported that there is not a City ordinance against littering. There is a state law against illegal dumping and littering. We contacted Allied Waste and they hand-made two recycling bins with locks on them. They are now at Heritage Park and seem to be working. They have not been vandalized or stolen. Ms. Putman noted that she went out to the park and noticed that one of the locks was broken and needed to be fixed and suggested that the bins be moved where there is one on each side of the concession stand.

Item 7 – Staff Updates Regarding Current Activities, Special Events, and Personnel– Mr. Whitworth

reported that the Red, White, and Blue Blast parade is on Saturday, July 3, followed by the “Splash Down”, concert, and fireworks. The Parks & Recreation Department needs assistance with judging the parade floats.

Item 8 – Request for Future Agenda Items – Requests were made to discuss kiosks and general park signage, election of officers for secretary role, review bylaws, Salmon Park, security lighting at Joe & Patricia Stone Park, and an update on recycling bins in the parks.

Item 9 – Set Upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Date – The next Park Board meeting was set for July 8, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Spencer Hauenstein at 7:59 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Bickerstaff, Chairperson

Scott Whitfield, Vice-Chair