

City of Sachse February 10, 2011
Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
7:00 p.m.

Present:

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

Absent:

The Regular Meeting of the City of Sachse Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Jeff Bickerstaff.

Item 1 – Approval of minutes of the January 13, 2011 Regular Meeting: Minutes from the January 13, 2011, regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Spencer Hauenstein and seconded by Kirsten Hill to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 2 – Citizen Input: No citizen input.

Item 3 – Update, Discuss and Consider Park Lighting: Mr. Whitworth gave a slide presentation of the current lighting in each of the parks. The board discussed how to come up with a standard for lighting in the parks. Ms. Miller has some resources that she will look in to and bring to the next board meeting on light standards in parks.

Item 4 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Dog Park: Mr. Whitworth discussed his past experiences with dog parks and stated that some things to consider before opening a dog park would be liability, location and maintenance. After discussion on the dog park, the board members agreed that the liability and upkeep is more than the City should take on at this point.

Item 5 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Senior Center Front Entrance: Mr. Whitworth reported that the push button/automatic door has been approved to be installed. He will let the board know once the installation of the automatic door is complete.

Item 6 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Muddy Creek Development: Mr. Whitworth reported that he has met with an organization that builds Frisbee golf courses. They have mapped out a course for the Muddy Creek development. The board discussed a Frisbee golf course and they are interested in getting more information and finding out what the cost would be to build one at Muddy Creek. Mr. Whitworth will bring more information back to the board at the next meeting.

Item 7 – Update, Discuss, and Consider Arbor Day/Spring Cleanup Event: Mr. Whitworth reported we will not be able to hold the event in the amphitheater because it will not be completed in time but we are looking into other possibilities on locations within the Municipal Complex to host the event. The board discussed different ways to advertise the cleanup, including putting up a banner in front of old City Hall. Ms. Hill would like to have a recycling bin out this year for volunteers to dispose of their water bottles and cans after the lunch.

Item 8 – Staff Updates Regarding Current Activities, Special Events, and Personnel: Mr. Whitworth reported that the rules and regulations, as well as the no smoking ordinance signs have been installed in the parks. The Parks and Recreation Spring/Summer brochure has gone out to the public.

Item 9 – Request for Future Agenda Items: Requests were made to discuss Park lighting, Muddy Creek Disc Golf, Keep Sachse Beautiful/Arbor Day signs, and the Great American Cleanup. The board will have a special meeting on March 24 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss future park development.

Item 10 – Set Upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Date: The next Park Board meeting was set for March 10, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Spencer Hauenstein at 8:27 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Bickerstaff, Chairperson

Diana Smith, Secretary