

Sachse Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 14, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
Sachse City Hall, Council Chambers

Present:

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

Absent:

Brett Franks
Kirsten Hill

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 – Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags: The invocation and pledges were led by Chairperson, Jeff Bickerstaff.

Item 2 – Approval of minutes of the June 9, 2011 Regular Meeting: Minutes from the June 9, 2011, regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Juanita Miller and seconded by Diana Smith to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 3 – Update, Discuss and Consider Charitable Contributions from Organizations to the Parks Department – Mr. Whitworth let the board know that this was an item requested by Mr. Franks to discuss possible contributions from the baseball association. A motion was made by Spencer Hauenstein and seconded by Darlene Putman to move item 3 to the end of the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Whitworth recapped the discussion from the last meeting, in which Mr. Franks talked about the possibility of using potential contributions from the baseball association to build baseball facilities/backstops in open green space in the City. Mr. Hauenstein moved that we postpone discussion of this item to the next meeting so that Mr. Franks could be present during the discussion.

Item 4 – Update, Discuss and Consider Sidewalk Expansion Ordinance – Mr. Whitworth brought to the board proposed amendments to the current Subdivision Ordinance and Overlay District Standards in the current Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Bickerstaff requested that staff bring this to the board in ordinance form, either before or after it goes to Planning and Zoning, so the board can see what it will look like. A motion was made by Darlene Putman and seconded by Juanita Miller to recommend the changes as submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 5 – Update, Discuss, and Consider a Walk for Sachse Park Promotion– Mr. Whitworth reported that Ms. Miller has looked into coming up for a route for a walk. He presented the route to the board. Mr. Whitworth reported that we received 3 quotes on renting timing systems for a walk. The lowest was \$1,500 and the highest was \$3,250. He feels that we can possibly come up with a lower cost option for the timing of the race. We could possibly just use a large clock. He said that we will keep this event in mind for the future.

Item 6 – Staff Updates Regarding Current Activities, Special Events, and Personnel– Mr. Whitworth thanked Spencer Hauenstein and Diana Smith for judging the Independence Day Parade. The 1st budget meeting with Council is on Saturday. Mr. Whitworth also reported that he has been asked to assist in the oversight of the library services since the library director will be leaving the City to be the director of library services in Williamson County.

Item 7 – Request for Future Agenda Items – Requests were made to discuss the sidewalk expansion ordinance, contributions from organizations towards practice fields, and current pond maintenance procedures.

Item 8 – Set Upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Date – The next Park Board meeting was set for August 4, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Spencer Hauenstein at 7:34 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Diana Smith, Board Secretary

Jeff Bickerstaff, Board Chairman