

MINUTES OF CITY OF BASTROP PARKS AND PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY BOARD

September 5, 2025

The Bastrop Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 5, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council meeting room, located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. Members present were Steven Fobert, Gail Sheehan, Deborah Jones, and Nathanael Gold. Staff present were Bastrop Chief of Police Chief Vicky Steffanic, Parks and Recreation Director Jason Alfaro. Council Member Cynthia Sanders-Meyer was present. Members Rick Rivera and Margaret Robinson was absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 p.m. Chair Deborah Jones called the meeting to order.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments

3. STAFF, BOARD, AND COMMITTEE MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORTS

3A. Parks and Recreation Report

Report was given by Interim Parks and Recreation Director, Chief Steffanic.

3B. Bastrop State Park Report

Report was given by Lost Pines State Park Complex Superintendent, Nathanael Gold.

3C. Bird City Coalition Report

Report was given by Luke Thompson, Bird City Committee.

3D. Discussion and changes in the operations of Mayfest Park

Report was given by Interim Parks and Recreation Director, Chief Steffanic.

3E. Receive and discuss an update on the Tree Carving

Report was given by Member Gail Sheehan and artist Dusty Kosmach. It was discussed that the original size of the carving is now larger and the price has changed to \$8,000.00. Kosmach will be able to begin her carving work on 9/17/2025 and it will take approximately 5 days to complete.

4. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

4A. Discussion and consideration on establishing 2.195 acres located at 610 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive as designated parkland.

Motion was made to recommend establishing the 2.195 acres located at 610 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive as designated parkland. Motion was made by Member Nathanael Gold and seconded by Member Gail Sheehan. Motion passed unanimously.

4B. MINUTE APPROVAL

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the Thursday, August 8, 2025 Regular Meeting by Member Margaret Robinson. Motion was seconded by Member Nathanael Gold. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Gail Sheehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm. Member Nathanael Gold seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Chair, Deborah Jones

Secretary, Nathanael Gold