

MINUTES OF CITY OF BASTROP PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

JUNE 6, 2024

The Bastrop Parks and Recreation Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Members present were, Margaret Robinson, Deborah Jones, Gail Sheehan, Rick Rivera, Steven Forbert and Nate Gold. City staff and representatives present were Council member Kerry Fossler, Asst City Manager Andres Rosales, Development Director James Cowey and Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. REPORTS

2A. Parks and Recreation Operations Report

Report was given by Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore.

2B. Bastrop State Park Report

Report was given by Bastrop and Buescher State Park Complex Superintendent.

2C. Bird City Coalition Report

Report was given council member Fossler.

2D. Director's Meeting Update

Report given by Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore

- Shifting Irrigation Specialist position to Parks maintenance due to not being able to fill it. Contracting the irrigation.
- Missing, faded and obsolete signs are being replaced around the parks.
- Master Plan has been uploaded to TPWD. That is the first step to being eligible for grants.
- Mayor will be making an appointment to fill the open board position.
- City staff met with a group of specialists and engineers about the erosion issues on the Colorado River on May 8th. We also found out that our grant application for assistance has been put on hold. Looking for other resources.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Ken Kesselus spoke about the possibility of adding a new park on property where the ferry historically crossed the river.
- Gil Cervantez spoke about the need for a golf par 3 course in Bastrop.
- Jack Lewis spoke in support of adding additional pickleball courts.

4. PRESENTATION

- 4A. Receive Presentation for Master Gardener Program. They are hosting the "Summerfest" event on June 22 at Bob Bryant Park from 9 to 11am.
- 4B. Programs scheduled for celebrating Parks & Recreation Month were presented to the board.

5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 5A. **Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from May 2, 2024, regular meeting minutes.**
Motion made by Margaret Robinson to approve the minutes. Seconded by Gail Sheehan. Motion was approved unanimously.
- 5B. **Discussion to decide guardrail options for old iron bridge**
City Staff from engineering presented the progress on the rehab of the bridge. Offered options on railing on which style the board preferred. After discussion, and comments from the public, it was decided that the board would consider options, and come back in July with a decision. It was so decided that the board would come back at the next meeting to vote on changing the name of the bridge. That item will be an agenda item for the next meeting.
- 5C. **Discussion the Paint in the park initiative.**
Statistics show that public art has been an initiative to keep down vandalism and tagging. Terry presented an idea to create a Paint the Parks program that would be ongoing. Artists could paint an area that is predetermined with a design that is pre-approved. The board discussed it. Liked the idea with some adjustments on parameters.
- 5D. **Discussion of Future Land Acquisitions**
Board discussed the need and desire to acquire more parkland for the community. Several sites were discussed. Asst City Manager Rosales was able to answer questions about different sites, pros, cons and plans.
- 5E. **Discussion of Overlook Point**
Ken Kesselus presented the history of the area and recommended the city create a potential city park there.
- 5F. **Discussion of Possible Pickleball Courts**

6. ADJORNMENT

Meeting was adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

Deborah Jones

Deborah Jones (Feb 18, 2025 17:26 CST)

Deborah Jones, Chair

ATTEST:

Terry Moore

Terry Moore, Parks and Recreation Director






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