

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 20, 2013
CITY OF TAYLOR LIBRARY
801 VANCE STREET
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Kathleen Eason
Gary Gola
Andrew Gonzales
Jennifer Jewett
Kenny Orts
Jason Richter
Stayci Roznovak-Burris
Lonnie Zycha

ABSENT

Nelson Alexander
Joseph Meller
Daniel Philhower
Madeline Ward, student member

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike DeVito, P & R Superintendent
Leisha Morrison, Admin Assist
Matthew Temple, visitor

Call to order and declare a quorum

The meeting was called to order and a quorum declared at 6:01 p.m.

Citizens Communications

Visitor Matthew Temple pointed out to the Committee that the roster on the Parks and Recreation website page is from the previous year.

Approve the minutes from the meeting

Motion was made by Committee Chairman Gary Gola to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Committee member Kathleen Eason, with the correction of adding Councilor Scott Green to the "Present" column. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Review member attendance and terms due to expire

Motion #1 was made by Committee member Kenny Orts recommending to Council review of Committee members Nelson Alexander and Joseph Meller for removal from the Committee, due to excessive absences. Seconded by Committee member Lonnie Zycha. All vote aye. Motion passed.

Motion #2 was made by Committee chairman Gary Gola recommending to Council for reappointment of Committee member Kenny Orts. Seconded by Committee member Lonnie Zycha. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion #3 was made by Committee member Lonnie Zycha to replace Committee member Jason Richter, who is not renewing his membership for another term, with the following applicants and in this order: 1.) Matthew Temple, 2.) Ginger Schneider and 3.) Matthew Olivarez. Seconded by Committee member Kathleen Eason. 7 voted aye. 1 voted no. Motion passed by majority.

Update on website

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito presented a page on the website that the rest of the Parks and Recreation pages would mirror. The Committee seemed satisfied with the outcome of the web page design and content. This is not the final design and all Committee members were encouraged to send any and all ideas to Mike in the following weeks. No action taken on this item.

Identify recreational needs for the City of Taylor

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito discussed the status of the youth basketball program. Mike has partnered with "Neighborhood Sports", a non profit organization, to help with the January and February 2014 basketball program. Online registration is set up. Two walk up registration dates and locations are in place. It will be an eight game season, running January 11, 2014 through February 22, 2014 for ages 5 - 14. No action taken on this item.

Explore possibilities of theater and plays

This item was tabled for further discussion.

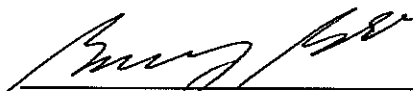
Identify items for next meeting

- Review member attendance and terms due to expire in January 2014 (Gary Gola)
- Update on website (Mike DeVito)
- Identify recreational for the City of Taylor (Mike DeVito)
- Explore possibilities of theater and plays (Madeline Ward)
- Status of Frisbee golf course (Mike DeVito)
- "Neighborhood Sports" to attend (Mike DeVito)
- Discuss ways to gauge interest of citizens in activities (Mike DeVito)
- Discuss direction of Council for the updating of the Parks Master Plan (Mike DeVito)

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 15, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.



Gary Gola, Chairman



Lonnie Zycha, Vice Chairman