

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 16, 2011
CITY OF TAYLOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
400 PORTER STREET
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Jason Ball
Gary Brock
M Brueckner
Jimmy Ellis
Bobby Frazier
Gary Gola
Andrew Gonzales
Candi Grandjean

ABSENT

Duane Danek
John Inglis
Trey Keith

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike DeVito, Recreation Superintendent
Leisha Morrison, Public Works Admin
Jim Dunaway, City Manager
Jeff Straub, Assistant City Manager
Brent Humphreys, Project Loop

Call to order and declare a quorum

The meeting was called to order and a quorum declared at 6:08 p.m.

Approve the minutes from the October 19, 2011 meeting

Motion was made by Board Member Jimmy Ellis to approve the minutes with the correction of agenda item # 4 (Consider action necessary to elect new Parks Board officers per requirements of the Parks and Recreation board ordinance) to note that the motion made by Gary Gola was also opposed by Board Member Jimmy Ellis. Seconded by Board Member Gary Gola. All voted aye.

Review and discuss current members terms and attendance records

Motion was made by Board Member Jimmy Ellis to reinstate current Board Member Michael Brueckner and current Board Member Gary Brock. Seconded by Board Member Gary Gola. All voted aye. Motion passed

Discuss new applicants

Motion was made by Board Member Gary Gola to invite applicant Blake Schneider to the January 2012 meeting. Seconded by Board Member Gary Brock. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discuss maintenance of lakes and plans to improve them

This item was discussed. No action taken on this item.

Review, discuss and make recommendations on the 2005 Parks Master Plan

Motion was made by Board Member Gary Brock to recommend to the City Council to request funds to update the 2005 Parks Master Plan. Seconded by Board Member Jimmy Ellis. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Consider whether to recommend acceptance of a donated skate ramp (from Project Loop) and discuss and recommend possible locations for its placement

Executive Director of Project Loop Brent Humphreys, presented information on the donated skate ramp. Assistant City Manager discussed possible locations for the ramp. This item was tabled until further information regarding the ramp and location was obtained.

Presentation for the proposed recreation center and funding option requested by City Council

Presentation was made by City Manager Jim Dunaway for the proposed recreation center and funding option. The City Council's vote for the proposed construction of a recreation center was 4 for, 1 opposed. Presentation was discussed. No action taken on this item.

Presentation of feedback and results on the motion passed at the October 19, 2011 meeting to utilized contingency funds to resurface the tennis courts in Murphy Park

This item as discussed. No action taken on this item.

Identify items for next meeting

- Discuss landscaping in all pocket parks
- Report back on city council's answer to Parks & Recreation recommendation to add to the Parks & Recreation policy to change how an item gets approval to add to the agenda
- Review update on proposed recreation center
- Discuss allowing training for Board Members

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 18, 2011.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Mike DeVito,
Parks & Recreation Superintendent

Candi Grandjean, Chairwoman of the
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee