

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 21, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
400 PORTER STREET
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Larry Cmerek
Gary Gola
Andrew Gonzales
Irene Michna
Stayci Roznovak-Burris
Ginger Schneider
Timothy Tebeau, student member
Lonnie Zycha

ABSENT

Laurie Connally
Kathleen Eason
Jennifer Jewett
David Morris

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike DeVito, P&R Superintendent
Leisha Morrison, Admin Assist
Manual&Susa Nasarrto, pickle ball

The meeting was called to order and a quorum declared at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation was given by Committee member Stayci Roznovak-Burris

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REGULAR AGENDA

Approve minutes from the August 17, 2016 meeting

Motion: made by Committee member Lonnie Zycha to approve minutes as presented.

Second: Committee member Andrew Gonzales.

Vote: All voted aye.

Minutes approved.

Citizens Communications

Manual Nasarrto spoke for the initiation of the sport of pickle ball in the City of Taylor. He is a pickle ball enthusiast. Pickle ball get its name after a Congressmans dog who always ran off with the ball. Pickleball is a combination of badmitton, ping pong and tennis. It is a sport for the young and old alike. The equipment used is very inexpensive to purchase.

Discuss Pickleball Courts

Manual Nasarrto spoke to the committee in favor of seeing this sport brought into the city of Taylor. Parks and Recreation Director Mike DeVito gave the committee some information on cost of setting up 3 courts on the existing non rehabilitated tennis courts. No action taken on this item.

Discuss development of an additional soccer field at the Taylor Regional Park

This item was discussed. The Parks Foundation has not met yet. Mr. DeVito may have more information at the next meeting. No action taken on this item.

Update on 2016 Kite Day and Festival

Kite Day 2016 held on September 10, 2016 was rained out. Reschedule date is October 1, 2016. No action taken on this item.

Discuss park signage

Mr. DeVito stated that there will be signage going up in the Parks system to let park users know about the leash laws and information regarding the ducks. No action taken on this item.

Update on West End School

This item is on the Thursday September 22, 2016 Council agenda for discussion. Mr. DeVito will have more information for the committee at the next meeting. No action taken on this item.

Update on Crosstown & Main Street Trail projects

The Main street/Highway 95 trail project has begun. They have completed the trail in front of the Main Street Event Center and continue south on Main Street/Highway 95. The Crosstown trail should be completed in January or February 2017. No action taken on this item.

Update on status of TPWD grant application

The application for the Heritage Park and Skate Park grant will be submitted before the October 1, 2016 deadline. As a note, Mr. DeVito stated that the 2016 Parks and Open Space Master plan has been approved by the TPWD. No action taken on this item.

Identify items for next meeting

- Update on Pickleball
- Kite Day Report
- Disposition of West End School
- Tennis Court drainage Update
- Duck population
- Texas Parks & Wildlife grant update
- Update on Trails projects
- Additional soccer field at TRPSC update
- Update on dogs in park signage

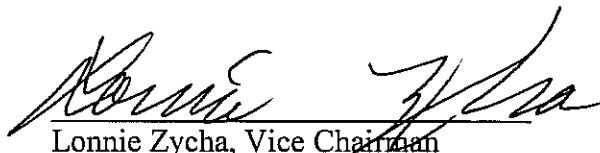
Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 19, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.



Gary Gola, Chairman



Lonnie Zycha, Vice Chairman