

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
July 20, 2022
City Hall Council Chamber
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Patrick Tate
Jennifer Jewett
Irene Michna
Stacy Olsen
Brennan Zupfer

ABSENT

Casey Mummert
David Campise
Larry Cmerek

OTHERS PRESENT

Tyler Bybee, P&R Director
Casey Cunningham, P&R Super
Lisa Buzan, Admin Assist
Curtis Fields, Crew Leader
Julie Rydell

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

Invocation – Irene Michna

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by All

Citizens Communications

Julie Rydell with Good Life Taylor - Memorial Field Track Resurfacing / Fitness Park
Next fund raiser will be Saturday October 8 with a 5K

REGULAR AGENDA

Approve minutes from meeting on the June 15, 2022

Motion: Stacy Olsen motioned to accept the minutes as presented.
Second: Jennifer Jewett
Vote: All voted aye.
Minutes are approved as presented.

Directors Report

Parks and Recreation Director Mr. Tyler Bybee and Superintendent Casey Cunningham presented the Directors Report & slideshow.
No action taken on this item.

• **Main Highlights**

- Busy Hot Month
- TABS wrapped up / 8U had 5-2 record
- Aquatics – issues at Heritage Splashpad continue
- TRP – 3 tournaments in June
- In May TRP Lake was stocked with 60 carp
- Just a start – can put out more carp next year
- Putting in a fishing peer
- Graffiti is becoming a real problem
- Removed dead trees
- New field numbers at TRP

Construction Projects

- Doak Park is done / added shade

- Fishing Pier
- Concession Awnings – one slab poured (the shade will be great)
- Batting cages on target for September
- Percussion Park – play amenities & shade are in. Will do a ribbon cutting at the end of September.
- Dickey Footbridge Rededication ribbon cutting, and reception was held on June 27th. (It turned out really well.
- Mini Soccer Pitch Field – Approached by US Soccer Foundation along with St David's Foundation. Options for locations is Murphy Park where the old pool was (currently basketball)

Other Project Updates

- Tennis Courts & Pickleball Courts are being resurfaced this week.
- Grove Trail – Plans still in review
- Putt Putt Golf – a meeting with Boys & Girls Club possible operations
- Tree Removal at Bull Branch
- Looks like we may possibly be getting a new pool. Lots of money being spent on repairs & maintenance of existing pool.
- Painting basketball courts at Bull Branch
- Heritage Splashpad repairs
- Tree Advisory Board has projected to replace 20 dead trees in Heritage Park. Trees will be planted for the Arbor Day celebration

Discussion & Action concerning Robinson Ballfield Restrooms

Robinson Ballfield Restrooms are having issues with lots of graffiti & keeping tidy. We would like to have them cleaned, repainted, and locked up. Tyler wants to have the board vote to make the restrooms a rental access only facility.

Motion: Jennifer Jewett motioned to clean up, repaint and make Robinson Ballfield Restrooms a rental access only facility.
 Second: Stacy Olsen
 Vote: All voted aye.

Draft Budget Review

- General Increase 3% to 5% and up to 20% increase on chemicals
- Equipment: Equipment Gator, Skid Steer with attachments and trailer
- Signage Master Plan, Wayfinding signs, trash cans, picnic tables, benches (Phase out old amenities. Add sidewalks
- Trails Master Plan: where to add signage

Swim Opportunities

- Irene spoke about a special time for older ladies to exercise. We have a contract with Hutto YMCA. Would need to go through them.
- The YMCA changed things up for the top pool – New Rules: Must be 13 years old and pass as swim tests. Implemented a month ago.

Programs & Events & Marketing

- July Movies in the Park was Sing 2. Next movie will be The Bad Guys on August 12

- Back to School Bash event will be prior to Movies in the Park on August 12
- Barbeque Cookoff will be August 19th and 20th.
- Kid Fish Bull Branch Park – September 17th

Identify Items for Next Meeting

- Christmas at Heritage Park
- Choir / Singing
- Tree Lighting is ours. First Saturday in December. Tyler wants the board to help and participate
- Parade is at 6pm – Tree lighting is after parade

Discussion on Birds

- Bird issue in the park on the 4th of July
- Tyler is reaching out for help with what to do with bird issue
- The Egrets are federally protected
- American Legion does the fireworks
- The city co-sponsors the event.
- TxAg Extension / Texas Parks & Wildlife / Animal Control

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 17, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40p.m., motioned by Irene Michna and seconded Jennifer Jewett.



Patrick Tate, Chairman



Stacy Olsen, Vice Chairwoman