

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
July 18, 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
400 PORTER STREET
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

David Campise
Larry Cmerek
Gary Gola
Andrew Gonzales
Jennifer Jewett
Stacy Olsen
Ginger Schneider
Lonnie Zycha
Timothy Tebeau, student member

ABSENT

Justin Adams
Kathleen Amboree
Irene Michna

OTHERS PRESENT

Larry Foos, P&R Director
Casey Cunningham, TRPSC
Leisha Morrison, Admin Assist
Isaac Turner, City Manager
James Bartosh, Boys & Girls Club
Daniel Anstee, Boys & Girls Club
Gayle Collins, Lions Club

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

Invocation was not given.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REGULAR AGENDA

Approve minutes from the June 20, 2018 meeting

Motion: Committee member Lonnie Zycha.
Second: Committee member Ginger Schneider
Vote: All voted aye.
Minutes are approved as presented

Citizens Communications

James Bartosh and Daniel Anstee spoke regarding the Boys and Girls Club and its inception in the City of Taylor.

Gayle Collins spoke regarding the status of the Lions Club miniature golf course in Murphy Park.

Receive Directors Report

Mr. Foos gave updates on the Heritage and Skate Parks. Heritage is on schedule. The Council is considering the B or STRATA design, of the 3 presented by Word+Carr landscaping design firm.

Motion: Committee member Stacy Olsen to recommend approval of the Directors Report.

Second: Committee member Andrew Gonzales.

Vote: Ayes All Nays None

Directors Report is approved as presented.

Boys and Girls Club – James Bartosh

James Bartosh gave an overview to the Boys and Girls Club presented by Daniel Anstee, Branch Director of the Club.

Mr. Anstee presented the committee with a detailed overview of the Club history, goals and the 5 key elements of its success. He also gave status of a Taylor branch being organized, and the importance of support from the community. No action taken on this item.

Murphy Park Maintenance

City contractor is on a two week mowing schedule. The split cleaning duties, between 2 city departments, cleans the public side of the restrooms on Mondays and Fridays. No action taken on this item.

Use of watercraft and swimming in park lakes and ponds

The City does not have an ordinance regarding using watercraft or swimming in city lakes and ponds. TCEQ water tests recommend no swimming, extensive contact or drinking from the small or large lake in Murphy park. Is signage needed stating this? No action taken on this item.

Miniature golf report

Ms. Collins and the Lions Club had the miniature golf course open on July 4th as planned. She said there were approximately 200 adults and children that came through. All play was free. One hole is not playable but they are working to get that one repaired. She has someone coming in the next few days to secure the building. Ms. Collins would like to put up signage, with hours and fee info when they have been decided upon. She is contemplating free standing signage or attaching it to the fence. The Lions Club has a 10 year lease with the City of Taylor for the designated land, with 7 years left on it. The Club owns the building and the course itself. They will advertise and have a grand opening when they are ready to open on a regular schedule. No action taken on this item.

Update on egrets

Mr. Foos stated the information from the Texas Parks and Wildlife said the diminishing rookery is normal. It will revitalize itself to some extent when the birds leave for the winter or, if needed, it can be cleaned. Artificial rookeries can be placed for the birds. No action taken on this item.

Kite Day event

The date for the Kite Day event has been set for Saturday September 8, 2018. Registration will start at 8:00 am and flying will begin at 9:00 am. The next Saturday September 15th will be the designated rain out day. The committee will need to decide on age brackets, prizes and criteria for judging. Several judges will be needed. Ginger has volunteered to provide some kites and string. The event will need to be promoted in the schools, organizations and businesses within the City of Taylor. No action taken on this item.

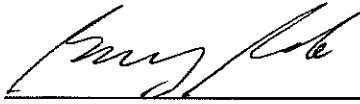
Identify items for next meeting

- Receive Directors report to include Skatepark & Heritage updates
- Kite Day details
- Doak ballfields, Andrew Gonzales
- Doak foundation, if Andrew Gonzales has information

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 15, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.



Gary Gola, Chairman

Lonnie Zycha, Vice Chairman