

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
July 16, 2014
CITY OF TAYLOR LIBRARY
801 VANCE STREET
TAYLOR, TEXAS 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Kathleen Eason
Gary Gola
Jennifer Jewett
David Morris
Kenny Orts
Matthew Temple

ABSENT

Andrew Gonzales
Daniel Philhower
Staci Burris-Roznovak
Hugh Shelton
Lonnie Zycha
Madeline Ward, student member

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike DeVito, P & R Superintendent
Leisha Morrison, Admin Assist
Mark Campbell, Visitor

Call to order and declare a quorum

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

Meeting was opened with prayer from Reverend Kathleen Eason

Citizens Communications

Mark Campbell spoke on the proposed recreation center topic giving some ideas as to what he thinks a recreation center could look like and locations to have it.

Approve the minutes from the June 18, 2014 meeting

Motion was made by Committee member Kathleen Eason to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2014 meeting. Second by Committee member Jennifer Jewett. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Brief update on the 50/50 Skate Park project

Mr Humphreys could not attend the meeting. Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito read a statement from Mr Humphreys. No action taken on this item.

Update from Kite Fly Day subcommittee

There is a banner up at the entrance to Murphy Park. Wright Distributing is donating 5 additional banners. The website to access information about Kite Day is www.taylortx.gov/775/Fly-a-Kite-Day. No action taken on this item.

Summary and history of Board actions

The committee wants to share the list of items discussed and actions taken on each item with the public via social media venues. Board Chairman will post the list on Facebook. No action taken on this item.

Set a priority list of current parks and recreation proposed CIP items (Mike DeVito)

Motion was made by Committee member Matthew Temple to:

Prioritize 3 projects for City funding: 1). Get Doak ballfields to playing condition. 2). Rehab Robinson ballfields. 3). Install a splashpad in Robinson park.

Second by Committee member Kathleen Eason.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discuss what a rec center for Taylor should include and where it should be located

Visitor Mark Campbell spoke on this item. No action taken on this item.

Update on Williamson County Event center plans

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito gave a powerpoint presentation on the plans Williamson County has for the Event Center. The plan does not show an RV Park on it but Mr DeVito stated that in his communications with Williamson County, an RV Park is a priority for them. Mr DeVito told the committee he would set up a meeting between them and Williamson County. The plans are available on the County website @ www.williamsoncounty.gov . No action taken on this item.

Status of Facebook page on city website

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito stated that the Facebook link is @ www.facebook.com/taylorparksandrec . No action taken on this item

Presentation of Parks and Recreation's duties and responsibilities

This item was tabled until all Committee members are present. No action taken on this item.

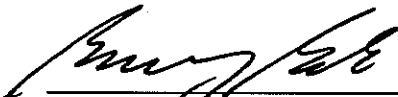
Identify items for next meeting

- Brief update on the 50/50 skatepark project (Brent Humphreys)
- Feedback from Kite Day subcommittee (Lonnie Zycha)
- Discuss how to get a recreation center in Taylor (Gary Gola)
- Renaming the Williamson County Event Center after Bill Picketts (Matthew Temple)
- Summary and history of Board actions (Mike DeVito)
- Presentation of Parks and Recreations duties and responsibilities (Mike DeVito)

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 20, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Gary Gola, Chairman



Lonnie Zycha, Vice Chairman