

CITY OF TAYLOR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 15, 2025
Dickey Givens Community Center
Taylor, Texas 76574
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT

Patrick Tate
Larry Cmerek
Jennifer Jewett
Bill Harrington
Stacy Olsen
Austin Brown
Matthew Rangel

ABSENT

David Campise

OTHERS PRESENT

Tyler Bybee, Director
Lisa Buzan, Admin Assist
Betsy Schultz, Superintendent
Matt Topham, Rec Coordinator

The meeting was called to order by Stacy Olsen at 6:33 pm and declared a quorum.

Invocation – Patrick Tate

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by All.

Citizens Communications

None

Agenda Item 1 - Approve minutes from meeting on November 20, 2024 meeting

Motion: Jennifer Jewett motioned to accept the minutes as presented.

Second: Bill Harrington

Vote: All voted aye.

Minutes are approved as presented.

Agenda Item 2 – Directors Report Presented by: Tyler Bybee

Parks and Recreation Director, Tyler Bybee presented the Directors Report & slideshow.

No action taken on this item.

Maintenance Highlights

- Aerated and top dressed soccer fields, football field, softball fields and baseball fields at Taylor Regional Park. Used 10 tons of sand.
- Aerated Heritage Square great lawn, Robinson Park open field, and Memorial football field
- Removed split railing fencing along Dolan Street near the Robinson Pavilion with a much improved appearance.
- Moved picnic tables from Roznovak Pool to various locations in the parks.
- Emptied out chemicals, furniture, and supplies from Roznovak Pool for construction project
- Hung new windscreens at tennis courts
- Resecured Murphy Park entrance sign
- Removed dead bush from circle drive in Murphy Park
- TRP Fields are closed in January for rest and repair.
- We are in need of rain.
- We have Softball and Baseball tournaments on the schedule for 2 weekends in February
- FY25: We have had a 28% increase in attendance at TRP for the first 3 months over FY24

- Rentals at the Dickey Givens Community Center continued to be good in December.

Project Updates

- Memorial Field Track Reconstruction ribbon curbing looks great
- All new fencing
- Late next week the top coat will be installed (weather permitting)
- The track will be striped for competitive running with 6 lanes.
- Tentative Ribbon Cutting is scheduled for February 8th.
- We will paint the goal post and concession doors for a fresh update to the field.
- DRAC – Drained and Demo began January 6th
- Pool Groundbreaking Ceremony was today January 20th at 5:30
- Wellness Rec Center Study – to get the funds to build, would have to go to a vote
- A TaWRC Study Workshop is scheduled with the Steering Committee next week with an update to the City Council that evening.
- The Final Report will be generated in March.
- A Trails, Sidewalks, & ADA Plan was kicked off in December.
- We will need to be ready to apply for grants.

Agenda Item 3 - Programs & Events Update

- The Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting Event was successful with free hot chocolate, face painting, inflatable, live music, food vendors, and Santa on December 7th at Heritage Sq.
- Rudolph's Ride First Annual Bike Ride in Murphy Park was held on December 14th
- Ornament Making event was held on December 20th at the Field House Multi-Purpose Rm

Upcoming

- New Fitness Schedule is out for January
- Bike Rodeo – March 22nd
- Bee Motel Bio Blitz – Parks for Pollinators
- Park Cleanups
 - Bull Branch – March 8th
 - Robinson Park – May 17th
 - Murphy Park – June 25th
- Kite Day – April 27th at TRP
- Senior Game Day – First Tuesday of the month from 2pm-4pm
- Taylor Fest – May 3rd

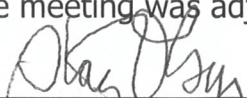
Agenda Item 4 – Identify items for next meeting

- Taylor Police Downtown Officer was invited and will be here at next month's meeting (Officer Newell)
- Putt-Putt Update
- Wellness Center Update
- Parks Master Plan Discussion

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2025, at the Dickey Givens Community Center @6pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm


 Stacy Olsen, Chairwoman


 David Campise, Vice Chairman