

**City of Taylor
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 15, 2026
Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center
Taylor, Texas 76574
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

David Campise
Patrick Tate
Buddy Michna
Sheri Poll
Giovanni Martinez

ABSENT

Jennifer Jewett
April Green
Stacy Olsen

OTHERS PRESENT

Betsy Schultz, Parks Director
Lisa Buzan, Parks Office Coord
Curtis Fields, Parks Maint Supv
Matt Topham, Rec Coord

The meeting was called to order by David Campise at 6:03 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 the meeting on February 18, 2026

Motion: Buddy Michna motioned to accept the minutes as presented.

Second: Patrick Tate

Vote: All voted aye.

Minutes are approved as presented.

Agenda Item 2 – Directors Report

Parks and Recreation Assistant Director, Betsy Schultz presented the Directors Report & slideshow.

No action taken on this item.

Maintenance Highlights

- Pool Ribbon Cutting May 23 at 10 am
- Installed new player benches at tennis courts.
- Every court has benches
- New windscreens hung on four tennis courts
- Installed new Duck Education signs at Bull Branch & Murphy Parks
- Cleared brush and weeds around disc golf course baskets
- New pickleball and tennis court number signs
- Painted interior of restrooms at Memorial Field
- New roof installed on Rotary Ballfield concession stand
- TRP Field 3 Shade torn by wind. Insurance has been filed.
- We only had one rained out tournament in March
- Removed graffiti on Murphy Park playground equipment
- Replaced missing top railing board on fishing pier at Bull Branch
- Cleared Band Stand of homeless encampment
- Adjusted irrigation timers on flower beds at entrance to Murphy Park
- Insurance claim on torn shade at Taylor Regional Park

- Attendance at TRP year to date is nearly 45,000 with revenues nearing \$54,000
- Rentals are a little low this month.
- Two fields are turfed
- March Tournaments
 - March 7 & 8 – rain out
 - March 14 & 15 – Showtime CTX – Softball & 5 Tool Youth – Baseball
 - March 21 & 22 – Firecrackers – Softball & Lonestar Baseball – baseball
 - March 28 & 29 - 5 Tool Youth – baseball
- April Tournaments:
 - April 11 & 12 – Perfect Game – used turf fields due to rain
 - April 18 & 19 – 5 Tool Youth – 10 fields
 - April 25 & 26 – Perfect Game & Maggie Softball

***Roznovak Pool Construction Project**

- Final punch list work continues
- Furniture delivery this week
- TML Insurance inspections will be performed once a year for sticker
- Every 5-years an independent inspection will be required
- Council approved YMCA pool operations contract
- Ribbon Cutting Event (Rain or Shine) – Saturday, May 23, 10am
- Sod damage outside pool entrance over the weekend; sod and irrigation boxes have to be replaced. Getting quotes for repairs.
- We will install limestone blocks to prevent driving into grass areas

2025 Parks Improvement Project

- Substantial completion of Murphy Park portion of project
 - Revegetate sidewalk and pickleball areas
 - Install new locks and bumpers on restroom doors
- Demo of existing pavilion and sidewalks
- Poured new sidewalks. They look really good.
- Pavilion delivered this past Friday
- Exterior and interiors of bathrooms
- Bumpers on restroom doors have been installed
- Completion is expected by end of May

Other Department Updates:

- Duck Management & Education Program
 - Wildernex Wildlife Control contract signed
 - Visit Bull Branch & Murphy Park twice a month through October
 - First visit found 3 nests and 45 eggs
 - Addle & Oil eggs
 - “Don’t Feed The Ducks” signs installed
- Miniature Golf Update
 - MOU with Friends of the Parks Foundation to Council next meeting; Mr. Ancira is spearheading these efforts
 - Take redesign to City Council

- Money from the 2024 Parks Bond project is allocated for design fees; preliminary discussions with Commercial Recreation Specialists who have designed courses in Central Texas
- Friends of the Parks Foundation could possibly pay for upgrades such as new turf and shade structures at the course
- Goal is to keep it a free amenity for residents
- Art in Parks – Taylor Public Arts
 - Heritage Square Signature Project
 - Addition of sesquicentennial art piece on the wall facing the picnic tables
 - Addition of signature art piece of back of stage
 - Painted Piano Project
 - Public art initiative designed to bring creativity, culture, and community engagement to downtown district
 - Possible placement in a park

Agenda Item 3 - Programs & Events Update

Highlights

- Basketball League Survey Results
- Spring Break Activities
- Bike Rodeo
- Easter Egg Hunt

Upcoming Events & Activities

- Lil Kickers
- Kite Day – Saturday, April 26 at 2pm

Youth Safety Bike Rodeo

- Low Sensory Hour with bubbles was a success
- Not as many this year
- Gave out more helmets
- We had more partners & activities
- Possible changes
 - New location
 - Move date to during Spring Break

Easter Egg Hunt

- Pivoted to Drive-Thru Egg Hunt underneath concession stand at Memorial Field
- Gave out 8000 eggs, 45 lucky egg baskets, coloring books, and pool passes
- Event was at least 2x as large as previous years
- Huge thank you to Frontier Bank employees for standing out in rain for over 2 hours and for providing the Easter Bunny
- Over 22 Lucky Egg Easter Basket Local Sponsorships with more than 45 Lucky Egg Baskets were provided.

Youth Basketball League Survey Results

- League experience was high
- Likelihood to register for future leagues >90%
- What was most liked?

- Organization & Communication
- Coed teams
- Playing time
- Focus on fundamentals & development
- League value was seen as fair or great value
- Improvements
 - More balanced teams
 - Summer league & Clinics
 - More practices

Agenda Item 4 – Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Selection of movies for the Movies in the Park events this summer

Suggested movies were presented to the board as follows:

- May 29 – Zootopia 2
- July 10 – The Iron Giant
- August 14 – Minecraft

Motion: Buddy Michna motioned to approve the suggested movies

Second the motion: Patrick Tate

Vote: All voted aye.

Motion approved.


Agenda Item 5 – Identify items for next meeting

- Pricing for the pool
- Putt-Putt Mini Golf

Agenda Item 6 - Next meeting date:

Next meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2026, at the Dickey Givens Community Center @6pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm



 Stacy Olsen, Chairwoman



 David Campise, Vice Chairman