



The City of Liberty Hill

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PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES **TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 27, 2018 – 6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mary Lynn Jones - Chair of the Parks & Recreation Board called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 PM on Tuesday – February 27, 2018. The invocation was given followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge. Members of the Board present were Mary Lynn Jones, Mike Wilson, Janet Oliver and Liz Branigan. Members of Staff present were Greg Boatright, Michel Sorrell and Barbara Zwernemann.

REGULAR AGENDA

Discuss and take action on the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting held Tuesday - January 23, 2018. Action: On a motion by Mike Wilson and second by Liz Branigan, the minutes were approved as presented. **Motion passed on vote of 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 0 ABSTENTIONS.**

Presentation and Discussion on selections for the splashpad for Wetzel Park in Downtown Liberty Hill. Action: A presentation was given by Brian Binkowski of Halff & Associates on the design and schematics for the proposed swim center at City Park. Two options were presented:

- **Option A** - This option / design is a splashpad and swimming pool which resembles a fish design (see below); or
- **Option B** - This option / design is a splashpad and swimming pool with design which resembles a peanut in design.



Discussion was held on the Swim Center, swimming pool and splashpad. Size of the splashpad is approximately 2,000 square feet. The approximate cost of the splashpad is estimated at \$150,000 which is \$63.00 per square foot for the recirculation system. The recirculation system will be incorporated or integrated with the swimming pool system which would be a cost savings. However, that will not be known until the design is finalized and bids are approved.

Brief discussion was then held on cost of the splashpad for City Park – CR 200 versus cost for the splashpad at Wetzel Park.

Other proposed amenities at the City Park swim center include pool house, restrooms, check in station, open pavilion, changing rooms, entrance, fencing around the circumference of the swim center, parking, etc.

The “fish design” swimming pool was deemed the best or most appropriate because ADA components can be more easily adapted or integrated into the pool without a lift. This allows for compliance with ADA regulations with clean design. Additionally, the pool flows into the design of the splashpad. Liz Branigan made the motion to recommend Option A to City Council; second was made by Janet Oliver. **Motion passed on vote of 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 0 ABSTENTIONS.**

Discuss a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Liberty Hill authorizing the creation of the Liberty Hill Park Foundation; directing the City Attorney to take all actions necessary to form such foundation in the State of Texas; and to file application with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for Tax Exempt status under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Code to file such other documents as may be necessary to establish a non-profit corporation. Update: Greg Boatright – City Administrator reported a Resolution was approved by City Council approving the creation of the Liberty Hill Park Foundation Board which will serve primarily as a “land depository” for donated parkland in the Larkspur Subdivision off Highway 183.

Discuss and Consider changing the date and time of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting. Action: Recommendation was made to change the Parks & Recreation Board meeting from the 4th Tuesday of the month to the 3rd Tuesday of the month and from 6:30 PM start time to 6:00 PM start time. Discussion was held. On motion by Mike Wilson with second by Janet Oliver. **Motion passed on vote of 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 0 ABSTENTIONS.**

FINANCIALS

Greg Boatright – City Administrator introduced Michel Sorrell – the City of Liberty Hill new Finance Director. Ms. Sorrell presented the current financial analysis for all Departments; details of financials for the period ending January 31, 2018 for the Parks & Recreation; and an update on proposed funding for new park projects.

SPONSORSHIP

Discuss and Consider Parks & Recreation sponsorship for the Independence Day Celebration in Liberty Hill as approved in the FY 2017 – 2018 Budget. Action: Mary Lyn Jones – Chair of the Board reminded the Board that \$5,000 was allocated in the FY 2017 – 2018

Budget as sponsorship from the Parks & Recreation Board in support of the Independence Day Celebration in Liberty Hill. Discussion was held. On motion by Janet Oliver and second by Liz Branigan, authorization was given for \$5,000 to be given for the 2018 Independence Day Celebration in Liberty Hill. **Motion passed on vote of 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 0 ABSTENTIONS.**

ADJOURNMENT

Janet Oliver made the motion to adjourn, second Liz Branigan. **Motion passed on vote of 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, AND 0 ABSTENTIONS.**

/s/ Barbara Zwernemann

BARBARA ZWERNEMANN
City Secretary