

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
June 7, 2023

Call to Order

Doris called meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

Edward Lock	<i>present</i>	Sonja Tijerina-Burleson	
Robyn Taylor	<i>present</i>		
Heather Tuggle	<i>present</i>	Michelle Mitcham	
Lynda Schubring	<i>present</i>		
Ashley Brown	<i>present</i>	Isaac Recinos	<i>present</i>
Doris Michalak	<i>present</i>	Sebastian Marquis	<i>present</i>
Rachel Beazley	<i>present</i>	Robert Basford	<i>present</i>
Thomas Huebner	<i>present</i>	Maria Thorne	<i>present</i>

Approval of Minutes from 5-10-23

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Ashley and was seconded by Thomas

Citizen Comments

None

Items for individual consideration

a. July 4th Event Discussion

Musical entertainment, stage, restrooms, and mechanical bull are all secured
There are 10 food trucks lined up and 16 confirmed parade entries. Food trucks will be set up at the Post Parking lot. We will provide quiet generators. As far as advertising – this is a local event, so we are not advertising too widely.

Isaac asked committee members to help with promoting for the BBQ chicken competition. Contestants will cook the chicken at home and bring it to the competition. Isaac will run the event and committee members will judge.

Judging for floats will need 4 volunteers. Ashley will be in charge of that. Parade entry check-in will be at 5pm and the staging area will be the Post bus loop. Float judging will take place before the parade starts. Ashley asked about the categories for the parade entries. Judges can decide on categories.

Isaac stated that during the event, we will need help with parade check in and the BBQ table. The lemonade judging will take place at the same time. Tommy Huebner volunteered to run the lemonade competition. Supplies are needed for judging the lemonade contest and will be provided by Isaac.

A pre-event meeting was mentioned. The schedule of events so far includes the parade at 6:00pm, the festival from 7:15pm to 9:30pm with the George Strait tribute performer from 7:15 to 9:15 pm and Fireworks at 9:30pm.

b. Youth Triathlon – Rachel Beazley

Rachel talked about the youth Triathlon and asked what JV could provide in terms of police and lifeguards. The ages would be 7-12 and would include swimming, bike ride and running. Robert asked if the running club could get involved to assist and Rachel

said that she would inquire. The event would be schedule for next Spring, possibly in April or May or in September. Robert mentioned that the pool might not be open next September. Mid May might work, but the water will be cold. The route was talked about. Possible sponsors were mentioned. Robert said that we will revisit for next year.

c. Clark Henry Master Plan Discussion

Robert talked about the budget retreat. There was discussion about the pool. There are CIP projects for Clark Henry. Robert was asked to confirm the Parks Master Plan for Clark Henry and to work with a company to get some proposals for replacing the pool at the 6, 8, and 11 million dollar price points. Robert met with pool designers and Burdit Consultants to get some conceptual designs.

We will look into getting some stakeholder input. Will have poster boards at July 4th so that people can provide feedback. Will price out 3 bodies of water, pool with lanes, leisure pool and a splash pad at 3 price options. The new design will not include a diving board. Will keep the rock wall, and possibly upgrade the slide. There was a site visit and a tree inventory at Clark Henry park with the goal of keeping as many of them as possible. We will revisit the master plan to see if the initial priorities are still the same or if there are other desired amenities.

A skate park was discussed with a possible location across the creek in the grassy field located by White Oak Bayou. Other items discussed included the proposed multiuse field, lights, baseball field, pickleball court, pathways, parking, etc.

A new pool would likely lead to an increase in the cost of pool amenities. Year round use of the pool is not feasible due to unavailability of life guards. The construction would take about 9 months.

The cameras arrived for the restrooms at Clark Henry. They just need to be installed. Lighting was brought up and discussed.

Parks and Recreation Directors Report

Future agenda item request

Sport League – Tommy Huebner

Next Meeting Date

6-21-23 – no July Meeting

Staff proposed that the July meeting date be moved to June 21st. The committee members voted and agreed with Rachel making the motion and it being seconded by Robyn.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Tommy and was seconded by Lynda.