

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

January 7, 2014

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Services Board Room. Board members present were Gail Russey, Robyn Wertheim, Leigh Black, Leroy King, Gary Grubbs, and Jeff Goodin. Absent was Julie Napier. Community Services staff present were, James W. Childers, Director, Lesli Andrews, Assistant Director, Richard Rodgers, Parks Superintendent, Jeff White Recreation/Senior Administrator, Stanley Smith, Legal Department; and Linda Hansen, Executive Secretary.

Gail Russey called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation was given by Jeff Goodin.

Jeff Goodin moved that the minutes be approved for the December 10, 2013 meeting. Leroy King seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Recognize youth for Eagle Scout Project: Lorenzo Tibbitts was recognized for his Eagle Scout Project, which was going through our entire cemetery and marking the books with all graves that had headstones.

Request to charge admission for West Texas Scorpions semi-pro football games: Richard Rodgers presented a request for the West Texas Scorpions to charge admission for games. The proceeds would assist in paying for the fields and lights. Gary Grubbs made a motion to allow the charges. Jeff Goodin seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Lake Kirby Ball Field Improvements: Richard Rodgers stated that the Wylie Baseball League would like to put a fence around the practice area. Jeff Goodin made a motion to approve the park improvements. Gary Grubbs seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Operational Report (Recreation/Seniors): Jeff White stated that that December was a busy month; South Park had a Christmas Party sponsored by the 7th Force Support Squadron from Dyess; Southern Hills Church sponsored a Christmas party and dance along with gifts for all of the clients at Adaptive Recreation Center. Adaptive Recreation was awarded the United Way grant to help offset the cost of meals. The afterschool program has seen an increase in enrollment. The winter break camp had 56 campers. The Daddy Daughter Date Night will be on February 13th. The seniors annual Holiday Festival raised \$4,000.

Operational Report (Parks): Richard Rodgers stated that the crews are working on the Lake Kirby project, tree trimming and fence repairs. The new playground for Sears Park has been received and will be installed soon, the playground equipment for Redbud will be ordered soon. The fountain will be replaced at Everman Park. James Childers stated as part of the Parks Master plan, Halff and Associates will begin the surveys and will be setting up a town hall meeting in the near future.

Operational Report (Zoo): Lesli Andrews stated that Bill was working on the credentials for the AZA inspection.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m.