

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

November 7, 2017

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Services Board Room. Board members present were Gary Grubbs, Leigh Black, Michael Homer, Robyn Wertheim, and Marc Orner. Board members not present were Jeff Goodin. Community Services staff present were Lesli Andrews, Director, Chris Gibson, Assistant Director, Stanley Smith, Legal, Kaitlin Richardson, Secretary.

Gary Grubbs called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

Robyn Wertheim moved that the minutes be approved for the Regular Meeting on October 3, 2017. Marc Orner seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Service Award Presentation: Richard Rodgers presented Donald Pace his 5-year service award with the Parks Department. Lesli Andrews presented Jeff White his 5-year service award. Jeff White is the Recreation and Senior Services Administrator.

Standards of Care 2018: Lesli Andrews presented the board with the Standards of Care for 2018. Lesli Andrews stated that nothing has changed for the 2018 year. Leigh Black moved to approve and recommend to City Council. Michael Homer seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Update of Kirby Lake Nature Park: Lesli Andrews stated that we currently have 41 different representatives who have attend the past focus group meetings for this project. We have received positive feedback and the public is excited to see new improvements at Lake Kirby Park.

Operational Report (Zoo) (Parks) (Recreation/Senior Citizens):

Recreation: Jeff White stated that the following events are set to take place this month: Fall Festival, Get Fit, and the Mayor's Hike.

Seniors: This year was the first year to host the Abilene Senior Games since 2004, and it was a successful year. The Senior Holiday fundraiser is December 8.

Parks: Richard Rodgers stated that we are looking at slowly replacing all the park signs with stone signs to have that western culture feel. The TRAPS Rodeo will take place later this month.

Zoo: Bill Gersonde informed the board that one of the baby giraffes has been born and doing well. The flamingo exhibit is almost done and the sloth exhibit is underway.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.



Chair



Secretary