

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

November 16, 2021

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Board members present were Jeff Goodin, Gary Grubbs, Marc Orner, Michael Homer and Leigh Black. Parks & Recreation staff present were Lesli Andrews, Director, Chris Gibson, Assistant Director, Richard Rodgers, Assistant Director, Bobby Brown, Senior/Aquatics Division Manager, Jesus Coronado, Parks Division Manager, Jesse Pottebaum, Zoo Division Manager, Stanley Smith, Legal and Janina Aguero, Secretary.

Gary Grubbs standing in for David Pittman as Chair.

Gary Grubbs called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation: Jeff Goodin gave the invocation.

Open forum for public comment: No public comment.

Acceptance of Minutes from October 19, 2021: Leigh Black moved the minutes be approved. Jeff Goodin seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Approval of 2022 Standards of Care: Chris Gibson reviewed information for the yearly examination of our recreation centers by Carl White, Parks and Recreation Director for San Angelo. In reviewing the policy the only change is the name change from Community Services to Parks & Recreation. Marc Orner made a motion to approve, Jeff Goodin seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Parks and Parks Facility Naming Policy: Chris Gibson stated we don't currently have a naming policy. In researching this process and creating this policy, street name changes and sister cities Tyler, Lubbock, San Angelo and Houston policies were reviewed. Common items were input from the community, name change to be significant, researching any descendants of family for input. With this policy the Board would like to see some items addressed and changes made before presenting to the Board.

Seniors Report: Bobby Brown gave the Seniors report. Bobby discussed that there have been 63,435 meals served for seniors at the centers. Bobby discussed the great crew and wanted to express his appreciation for his team. At the senior center the Veterans are being recognized throughout the month. Flags were put out and this is something that will be continued every year. The Senior Center will have a holiday fund raiser on December 10th that is expecting a great turnout.

Parks Report: Jesus Coronado gave the Parks report. Jesus discussed the parks team fixing the damaged dock at Lake Kirby to make it useable. Jesus discussed the parks team help with the tunnel under Everman Park and the unloading of stones to help with the dedication event.

Recreation Report: Chris Gibson gave the report for recreation. Chris discussed the upcoming Christmas event at Cesar Chavez Recreation Center. They will be a free movie event for the whole family. Trout fishing will be available at Cal Young from January 16-26th. This is also a free family event.


Zoo: Jesse Pottebaum discussed the new acquired hawk and an Owl that will be ambassador animals. Boo at the Zoo had record attendance and had huge success. Next up is the Christmas Celebration that will feature real reindeer, real snow, live nativity scene, ice sculptures and more.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:53am.



David Pittman, Parks Board Chairman



Secretary