

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

January 18, 2022

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in the South Branch Library Meeting Room, 4310 Buffalo Gap Road #1246. Board members present were David Pittman, Jeff Goodin, Robyn Wertheim, Michael Homer, Marc Orner and Leigh Black. Parks & Recreation staff present were Lesli Andrews, Director, Chris Gibson, Assistant Director, Richard Rodgers, Assistant Director, Ann Hall, Recreation Division Manager, Jesse Pottebaum, Zoo Director, Stanley Smith, Legal and Janina Aguero, Secretary.

David Pittman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation: Robyn Wertheim gave the invocation.

Open forum for public comment: No public comment.

Acceptance of Minutes from December 21, 2021: Robyn Wertheim moved the minutes be approved. Leigh Black seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Stevenson Park Update: Lesli Andrews gave an update about the construction for Stevenson Park. Lesli updated the board about the company having ordered supplies in December to ensure that everything will be in. Lesli stated the construction should start this week and is still on schedule to be completed by Juneteenth. Leigh Black asked for an update to be put on the agenda for either the March or April board meeting.

Request to Rename Lee Park: Lesli Andrews spoke about the request to rename Lee Park. Lesli discussed the packed submitted by Dr. Jackson for the renaming request. Lesli discussed the policy of putting this item on the agenda for two board meetings, without any action for the first meeting. Lee Park is the only item up for name change, as Lee complex is controlled by AISD and the City only maintains the fields. The name change for these fields would be up to AISD. No public comment or action taken.

Seniors Report: Chris Gibson gave the seniors report. The senior center is offering new classes on helping with smart phone basics, and yoga classes. Chris also discussed the new Two Man Band that will be performing on Thursday evenings.

Parks Report: Richard Rodgers gave the Parks report. Richard discussed the installation of security cameras at Everman Park. The backstop at Redbud Park has been renovated as well as the installation of Tittle Lake sign.

Recreation Report: Ann Hall gave the report for recreation. Ann discussed the Get Hooked event at Cal Young Park running from January 12th-26th as a virtual event that the community can submit online for prizes. Tickets for the Daddy Daughter dance have already been selling tickets and will be held on February 11th at the Convention Center.

Zoo: Jesse Pottebaum gave the report for the zoo. Jesse discussed the new baby steenbok being acclimated out. Jesse discussed the Christmas Celebration having the highest attendance with a 42% increase compared to 2020.

Executive Session: The Parks and Recreation Board went into Executive session at 8:53am to discuss Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney, and Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, Deliberations about Real Property.

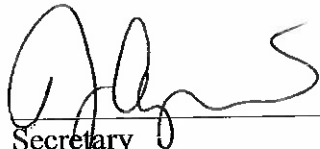
The Parks and Recreation Board came out of Executive Session at 9:24am with no votes or other action taken during the Executive Session.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:25am.



David Pittman, Parks Board Chairman



Secretary