



MINUTES

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**Meeting scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.,
Tuesday, July 3, 2012**

Break room of City Hall, 702 N. Highway 175, Seagoville, Texas.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON	SHARON CHAMBLISS
SECRETARY	JOYCE MASSEY
COMMISSION MEMBER	BLANCHE GATTIS
COMMISSION MEMBER	MOLLY LOZANO
COMMISSION MEMBER	TERRY OGLETREE
COMMISSION MEMBER	(VACANT)
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice –Chairperson Sharon Chambliss declared a quorum present and call the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Sharon Chambliss, Joyce Massey, Blanche Gattis and Molly Lozano. Commissioner Ogletree was absent. Also present were Library Director Liz Gant and Planning Technician/Commission Liaison Cindy Kintz. Lorena Reyes with L.A.M.A.N. Soccer Club and Tom Hendricks with Kleberg Community Development Corp. were in the audience. .

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON JUNE 5, 2012

Blanche Gattis made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2012, with corrections. Joyce Massey seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

III. REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Lorena Reyes with L.A.M.A.N. Soccer Club request to utilize Petty White Park for soccer games on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. during the Seagoville soccer association's off season. The PARC discussed the request and made the decision that more information was required. There was concern expressed that LAMAN was the same group that had used the soccer fields a couple of years ago. That group had repeatedly abused the use of the park. There were also concerns for insurance and non-profit status.

Information presented did not indicate the group would be allowed access as requested. Staff will do more research and take a telephone vote.

- B. A presentation given by Mr. Tom Hendricks of the Kleberg Community Development Corporation. The ultimate goal of the group is to establish a multiuse trail system that originates at the DART Lake June Green Line station with a terminus at the John Bunker Sands Wetlands Center. Plans are in place to utilize the old railroad right of way.

The group has received a grant from the National Parks Service. The grant includes Consulting and Planning at this stage. Construction estimates are currently running about one million dollars per mile of paved trail. Planning includes equestrian access at numerous sections along the trail, and development at Crawford Park to include a small lake.

Mr. Hendricks expressed the desire for Seagoville to be involved, even though the City no longer owned the bulk of the railroad property. He asked the PARC to identify a City Council person, a City Staff Member and a Citizen, such as a PARC member.

Liz Gant suggested organizing the Seagoville representatives and inviting Mr. Hendricks back to offer his presentation to the City Council.

IV. RESPONSE TO ISSUES FROM JUNE MEETING

Trash cans at Central Park can't be repaired. They will need to be replaced. Casa Grande still needs several things attended to and the Park Staff will continue working towards addressing those issues reported. Heard Park playground mulch project is complete and the trees have been trimmed.

V. PARK COMMENTS

- ❖ C. O. Bruce/Central Park – Joyce Massey - Orange safety fence is down on the south side of the spray park construction site.
- ❖ Heard Park – (Vacant)
- ❖ Casa Grande Park – Sharon Chambliss – Back stop still needs repair. Mulch and plastic still in bad shape on the playground area. The Picnic tables and canopies still need painting.
- ❖ Putnam Park – Liz Gant reported that two large limbs dropped from the tree and the tree has been cut down. A large stump remains and Park Staff is investigating a tree stump sculpture.
- ❖ Petty White Park – (Vacant)
- ❖ Veterans' Park – Blanch Gattis – There are two dead trees and one light is out.

- ❖ Bearden Park – Molly Lozano – The park looked good, there is a lot of new signage up. Members discussed the burglary that occurred there during the last month.

VI. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Revisit Kleberg Community Trail.
Invite Jim Berman to the next PARC meeting.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



SHARON CHAMBLISS
VICE-CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



LIZ GANT, LIBRARY DIRECTOR
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