

Meeting Minutes
HAMILTON, TX MUNICIPAL PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
July 20, 2023

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the revised Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be held on the 20th day of July, 2023 at 6:00 pm in City Hall, 200 E Main, Hamilton, TX, concerning the following matters.

Public Comments:

The Parks Board invites persons with comments on any agenda item to briefly address the Board. In addition, any member of the public can briefly address the Board on items not on the agenda for the limited purpose of determining whether the matter should be referred to staff for study and/or placed on a future agenda. State law prohibits the Parks Board from considering, discussing or taking any action on any item not listed on the posted agenda.

Please keep your comments limited to three minutes or less.

AGENDA

- I. Call the Meeting to Order : 6:05pm
- | Voting members | Present | Absent |
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| George Beard | x | |
| Rance Phillips | x | |
| Joseph Polster | x | |
| Russell Fail | | x |
| Faith Massingill | x | |
| Diana Freeman | x | |
| Lee Haslam | x | |
- ex officio members non-voting
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| Nathan Radabaugh | | x |
| Justin Slone | | x |
- II. Approve the Minutes for April 20th, meeting. **Minutes to be modified as recommended by Lee Haslam and seconded by Diana Freeman. Passed Unanimously**
- III. Update from Barney Kele and Derek Wolfe, HCYAA on baseball tournament in July 22nd and 23rd. **Derek Wolfe contacted Board President and informed him that the tournament was still on for this weekend but that they are only fielding 2 age groups instead of 4. Was due to fall league tryouts. They plan on having a fall tournament later this year.**
- IV. Review /Update on the addition of Tee Boxes for Disc Golf Course and possibility of Tournament at Dove Festival. **Board has stated in the past that we should look at Dove Festival Disc Golf tournament. Board recommended Joseph Polster to communicate with Chamber of Commerce to promote a tournament. Joseph stated that 4H may sponsor the tournament. Diana Freeman motion to allow Joseph to proceed and Lee Haslam seconded. Passed Unanimously.**

- V. Review / Update on tree trimming and Removal by TNMP May 2nd . How to get people involved with clean-up and are there any liabilities for the city. ***TNMP was able to remove several dead trees on the Pecan Creek Walkway. We will inform them of the desire to have additional trees removed next year. Starting in Pecan Creek Park and working south. Jamie LaDuke informed Board that there will be Keep Hamilton Beautiful events this year. We can promote on Social media.***

- VI. Review/ Update on the possible location of Dog Park. ***Diana Freeman said she was going to meet with Fencing installers and get estimates for chain-link fencing. We had originally looked a Mary Jane park by the swimming pool. Horton Park is now recommended since it will allow traveler to rest and allow dogs to exercise. Diana Freeman and Rance Phillips will investigate this further. May also be possible to get EDC involved to help with funding. Also will need TXDot to allow signage on Hwy 36. Joseph Polster motioned for Diana Freeman to take lead and Lee Haslam seconded. Approved Unanimously.***

- VII. Review /Update on Pickle Ball courts. Diana Freeman / Lee Haslam..***Diana Freeman recommended someone contact her church. First Presbyterian Church and pursue the tennis court to be upgraded to a Pickle Ball Court. Rance Phillips has agreed to assist in this. Joseph Polster motion to allow Rance and Diana to pursue and Lee Haslam seconded.***

- VIII.** Review information from Judge James Yates that relates to the development of Fitness Campaign that is supported by funds from Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Link is attached. Is this something we would like to pursue? <https://www.nationalfitnesscampaign.com/texas> .. ***Due to budget constraints of the City we will be placing this on hold. May pursue community funding in the future. These grants are available yearly.***

- IX. Future Agenda Items;
Review possible options for Park functions for Total Eclipse April 8th 2024.
Adopt a Park for the Pecan Creek Walkway.
Pursue non-profit status for Parks and Recreation.
- X. Adjourn

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas is a true and correct copy of said notice posted at City Hall of said City of Hamilton, Texas a place convenient and readily accessible to the General Public at all times, and said notice was posted prior to July 17th, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. The City of Hamilton encourages all citizens to attend.

_____ Brooke Tomlinson, City Secretary

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