

# PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES JUNE 20, 2023 – 6:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 303 W. MAIN KENEDY, TX 78119

Members present: Suzanne Nunez, Lucille Matthews, Alicia Sandoval, and Samantha Pedraza

1. Call the Regular Parks and Recreation Board meeting to order and establish a quorum is present.

President Susanne Nunez called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with a quorum present.

2. Welcome Guests.

There were no guests present.

3. Citizen comments.

There were no citizen comments.

- 4. Discussion and approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for May 16, 2023 will be placed on the regular scheduled June 2023 P&R meeting.
- 5. Old Business
- A. Discussion and possible action about St. Mary Park improvements.

Old equipment should be reusable, but will need new slide. A decision will need to be made if more swings are wanted. Equipment can be put on hold as the trail needs to be paved first.

Tierra Lease is a local company yet expensive. Lone Star, Dirt Boys, etc. can't come out until the end of July. Samantha moves that the board focuses on paving the walking trail. Lucille seconded the motion. Alle voted in favor and the motion carried.

B. Discussion and possible action on playground equipment at Joe Gulley Park. (Battery).

Since Lisa is not present at today's meeting, Samantha moved to table Item B until July. Alicia seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

### C. Discussion & possible action on making a wish list for next year.

List remains the same from previous months.

## D. Discussion and possible action on seeing other projects are finished this year.

Still waiting on BBQ pits. Plants also need to be addressed but it is currently too hot and the budget needs to be evaluated.

## E. Discussion and possible action on the new playground equipment at Joe Gulley Park.

Equipment was ordered in maroon. Wood fibers were ordered as flooring; however, fire ants and other insects are a concern. There will be rubber mats at the ends of slides as well as a ramp to make the playground handicap accessible.

Discussion needs to be had in the future to plan for a large playground equipment order. Thomas is the representative for Kraftman or Wisdom Playgrounds is another option. Top contenders are:

- -Play King from Kraftman currently on sale for \$89,512 not including the cost of the pad
- -Sundazed from Wisdom (no pricing available on website)
- -Bali from Wisdom (no pricing available on website)

Need to keep in mind there are large oak trees near the playground area.

Alicia made the motion to invite Thomas from Kraftman and Ed from Wisdom to attend the next meeting to discusses prices, etc. Lucille seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

## F. Discussion and possible action on about the basketball court cover at Joe Gulley Park.

Suzanne found information for a basketball cover from a company called Cazador welding that may be an affordable option. She will contact them for pricing. Alicia made a motion to table Item F until Lisa returns. Samantha seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

## G. Discussion and possible action on benches regarding the fundraiser processes.

To move forward, and email needs to be set up for the P&R board through the city. Changes were noted for the letter of solicitation and media drafts.

Alicia made a motion to revisit the mock ups at the next meeting. Lucille seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

### H. Discussion and possible action on concession stand for Joe Gulley Park.

A layout for the concession stand was discussed. Pricing decisions need to be made about buying a pre-fab building or having one built. Either way, it will need to be finished out with electrical and plumbing as well as fridge, microwave, sink, counters, windows, water heater, etc.

Size was chosen as 14' x 24'

Alicia made a motion to table Item H until more information could be obtained about prices. Lucille seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

### I. Discussion and possible action on signage for Joe Gulley Park.

It was agreed that signs are a moot point as people don't pay attention to them anyway. The mayor needs to be made aware and Chief Ashe will be invited to the next meeting.

### J. Discussion and possible action on pavilion lights at Joe Gulley Park.

Lights will need to go on the wish list as they are melted and need replacing. Cost to replace is approximately \$700.

## K. Discussion and possible action on big BBQ pit to put on wish list or budget.

The cost of a new one to be welded is \$200 plus materials. This will also be added to the wish list.

Alicia made a motion to table Item K. Lucille seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

### 6. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

- -Plants
- -Replacing members and filling empty board seats.

### &. Announcements of Community interest and/or upcoming events.

Karnes County Trade Days is now Kenedy Market Days. Are looking at July 8th, August 26th indoors because of heat.

Escondido Creek Parkway and SARA had a community meeting and Suzanne attended. Out of 12 dams 3 are in need of attention.

The City of Kenedy will be hosting a $4^{th}$ of July event with fireworks on July $2^{nd}$ at Joe Gulley Park. They are also planning a music festival in September for Labor Day.
8. Adjourn.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Suzanne Nunez, Chair Alicia Sandoval, Vice Chair