



**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES
JULY 18, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
RUHMANN FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
303 W. MAIN KENEDY, TX 78119**

Members present: Suzanne Nunez, Alicia Sandoval, Lisa Rahmes, 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 6:04 pm with a quorum present.

2. Welcome Guests.

There were no guests present. An invitation had been extended to Chief Ashe but he had a conference out of town.

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.

Alicia made a motion to approve June minutes with no corrections. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

5. Old Business

A. Discussion and possible action about St. Mary Park improvements.

Tierra Lease quoted \$175,000 - \$250,000 for a 2" hotmix, 8ft wide, 1500 ft long. Discussion will continue on agenda item C.

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

Suzanne gave the battery to Joe. It should be installed soon. It is rechargeable meaning it should need to be replaced again.

**C. Discussion & possible action on making a wish list for next year.
Concession stand, basketball court cover, new playground equipment,
pavilion lights, big BBQ pit, walking trail at St. Mary's Street Park, swing
set for St. Mary's Street Park.**

Concession stand- Quote is about \$31,000 for base, blocks, 2 windows, appliances, etc. through Mr. Jaime if the city allows. Luis Torres quoted \$16,000 for work after shell is purchased. The Little League should be helping with cost and the idea was posed that perhaps they could purchase the appliances since they will be the ones utilizing them. There are a few other contractor options to explore.

-Basketball court cover- Lisa didn't have a chance to contact welder. Samantha made a motion to table the cover until next year's budget. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

-Playground equipment and swing set- For St. Mary's were are looking to have a swing set with two bays. One infant swing, one handicap, and two belts. Quote for set is \$45,000 and pour & place is \$105,000. For Joe Gulley the Speed Racer playset is \$40,000 and pour & place quote is \$120,000. Alicia made a motion to put Speed Racer playground equipment and swing set toward the budget in September. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

A climbing cube was also discussed. Alicia made a motion to put the climbing cube on the Wishlist for the budget in September. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

-Pavilion lights- new lights will cost \$700. Alicia made a motion to put the pavilion lights on the budget Wishlist for September. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

-Big BBQ pit- Labor to build is \$275 and still need a quote for the pipe and other supplies, estimated cost is about \$500 total. Suzanne will contact Mr. Jones at the school to see if the welding kids can do it as a project. Alicia made a motion to set \$500 for BBQ pit on budget wish list and ask the school if the welding class can do it. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried. UPDATE: Mr. and Mrs. Espinoza will donate a 20x36" pipe and exhaust. Alicia amended her previous motion's monetary value from \$500 to \$200. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

-Walking trail at St. Mary's Street Park- Alicia made a motion to add \$250,000 to the budget in September for the walking trail at St. Mary's Street Park. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

**D. Discussion and possible action on benches regarding fundraising
process.**

Changes were made to the fundraiser form, social media draft, and letter. A list of businesses, etc. to send the letter of solicitation was compiled. Will finalize by August meeting.

E. Discussion and possible action on signage at Joe Gulley Park.

Discussion was had about not taking action on signage. Alicia made a motion to leave signage as is for the time being. Lisa seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

6. New Business

A. Discussion and possible action on rubber nuggets for Joe Gulley Park.

After purchasing plants for the gazebo, the nuggets can be ordered. Alicia made a motion to table item A until Lisa can bring information and pricing to order the rubber nuggets. Samantha seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

B. Discussion and possible action on plants for gazebo at Joe Gulley Park.

Since it is still too hot, plants will be ordered in August so they can be planted in September. Suzanne will find out if the board can all take the rip to buy the plants.

C. Discussion about the July 4th event.

Though the daytime was overwhelmingly hot, the fireworks were fantastic.

D. Discussion on Labor Day event coming up.

Kenedy Market Day will be held at the KISD admin building on July 29th. Karnes County Resource Roundup will be at the show barn this Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm.


7. Adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

APPROVED:


Suzanne Nunez, Chair

ATTEST:


Alicia Sandoval, Vice Chair