



Mission Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 17, 2017

The City of Mission Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission met at the Sylvester Powell, Jr. Community Center in the Breakout Room on Monday, **July 17, 2017** at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Mark Raduziner, Ward IV, Anne O'Leary, Ward I, Jacque Gameson, Ward IV, Karin Capron, Ward II, Mellissa Currie, Ward II, Deborah Rushing, Ward III, David Schwenk, Ward III, and Beth Garcia, Ward II. Christy Humerickhouse and Kathy Lockard represented staff.

Absent - Erin Beaslin, Ward IV, Mary Funk, Ward IV, Nathan Dormer, Ward III, Lekha Sreedhar, Ward I

Guest: Brian Schmidt

Mark Raduziner called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Approval of June 19, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The following changes were asked to be made to the minutes:

- Mary and Mellissa were listed twice;
- Approval of minutes were out 3 corrections – not 3 correct;
- Add Beth Garcia as in attendance at the meeting.

Anne O'Leary moved to approve the minutes with the changes;

Mellissa Currie seconded;

Motion passed.

Dog Park Task Force Recommendation

- Members were asked to look over the recommendation before the meeting. They spoke with friends and neighbors and came back with the following comments:
- People were surprised at the cost;
- People would like to see the money used to upgrade our existing parks;
- Do not take any space from our existing parks to use as a dog park;
- People want the dog park, they know it is needed, but they realize that we do not have the land in Mission;
- Patrons value what we have, but also value dog owners, so it is a difficult decision;
- Master Plan stressed that we do not have enough park space as it is for the population that we have;

- Further discussion ensued.;
- Christy will send out a draft of the recommendation to members and she needs it back by Wednesday, July 26th. Reply to Christy only – need not to reply all.
- **Karin Capron** moved to approve the recommendation of the Dog Park Task Force adding that existing parks and recreation funding not be used in the procurement or creation of a dog park.
- **Beth Garcia** seconded;
- **Motion passed.**

Adopt a Park Program

- **Mellissa Currie, David Schwenk** and **Nate Dormer** collaborated to put the Adopt – A – Park Program information together for the commission;
- Commission Members were asked to read over the information;
- Discussion among members came back with the following recommendations for changes:
- Have a list of what the City would provide. City of Mission will provide consumable materials – Item #3 page 2;
- Discuss how the program would be promoted to the public - i.e - Mission Magazine, City of Mission Newsletter, Website and Mission businesses;
- Put together a flier to make available to Civic organizations;
- Put in Parks & Recreation Activity Guide, City of Mission Facebook and to Scout Programs;
- Under Who can adopt a park – Bullet Point, Youth groups – **ADD ages 10 and older**;
- Schools – **ADD ages 10 and older**;
- Change Senior Citizens to Senior Groups;
- **David Schwenk** moved to approve the Adopt - A - Park program with the mentioned changes/additions and forward the to the City of Mission Community Development Committee for their approval;
- **Mellissa Currie** seconded;
- **Motion passed.**

Championship Tree Program

- Members were asked to choose one of the two fliers provided to them and then critique that flier;
- Members chose the flier of a tree being hugged with the following suggestions:
- Make the tree smaller and place the person hugging the tree on the side instead of behind;
- Keep the girl on the tree swing for inside but make the picture smaller;
- Change the word *designed* to **designated** in the first paragraph;
- Change *City Park of Mission* to **Mission City Park** and add a space before the word commercial.
- Change the word *Council* to **City Council**;

- Bullet point 6 - change the word *a* to ***my***;
- Bullet point 13 - change to ***Survivor of construction***;
- Go with a softer green line in the bullets;
- Make clear looking leaves on the nomination form;
- Change the font on the front.

Other business:

- **Jacque Gameson** requested that a bid of the evaluations of the City of Mission trees still be accomplished this year;
- **Jacque Gameson** requested that the City of Mission work with KDOT on the removable of a dead tree in Countryside;
- **Karin Capron** donated two Rose of Sharon bushes for anyone to plant.

Adjournment:

- **Karin Capron** moved to adjourn the meeting
- **Brian Schmidt** seconded;
- **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Lockard, Administrative Supervisor, City of Mission Parks & Recreation