

**Minutes of the Regular Called Meeting of the River Oaks Parks Board  
Thursday, September 7, 2023**

**The Council Chambers, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, TX 76114**

**Members Present:**

**Robert Percy, Place 2  
James Myrick, V-Chair, Place 3  
Bob Jamison, Chairman, Place 4  
Joksan Holguin, Place 5  
Jennifer Gansert, Alt 1  
Cristal Zubia, Alt 2  
Leigh Ann Turner, Council Liaison**

**Staff Present:**

**Marvin Gregory, City Manager  
Cassie Dyer, Public Works Admin  
Jeremy Bell, Director of Public Works**

**Member Absent:**

**Carley Meyers, Place 1**

**Visitors Present:**

**Mayor Darren Houk**

**1. Call Meeting to Order.**

Chairman Jamison called the Parks Board meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

**2. Invocation**

Chairman Jamison lead the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag and the Texas Flag.**

All members

**4. Public Testimony:**

None

**5. Member Roll Call:**

Member Meyers was absent, Member Alt Zubia sat in.

**6. Approval of Board Minutes:**

Member Myrick made a motion to approve August 3, 2023, Parks Board Meeting Minutes.  
Member Holguin seconded the motion.

**All vote “aye”**

**7. Report from council liaison Council member Place, 3 Leigh Ann Turner**

No report

**8. Updated on River Oaks Park Master Plan as submitted to Texas Parks and Wildlife on June 14, 2023**

The master plan has been accepted. We are to late to apply from grants this year, we will have to wait till Spring to apply for grants. This will be something we do together as a board. Everyone will be involved.

**9. Discussion and/or Action on Playground Inspection Report from William Jenks.**

PWD Bell went over the report from William Jenks. Public Works has blocked off McGee Park playgrounds for safety.

Discussion: waiting on a cost for parts and a price list. We will need to explore options before going with something. We can investigate Kaboom Grants and maybe private companies.

**(Meeting paused by Chairman to let anyone wanting to attend the barber shop for the memoirs of their past loved one. Member Pearcy left to attend. Member Alt Gansert stepped in for Member Pearcy. )**

The inspection did not include the parking lot. ADA may touch on it; we will need to get a plan together. With the inspection report we are held reliable for anything that may happen. We need to get signs posted saying the park is closed.

**10. Report from City Manager on August 2023 Parks Board Financial Report.**

Marving going over the August 2023 Financial Report.

Board members' discussion on how to raise money for the Parks Board. The board would like to have something in the newsletter for the dollar donations so people will know what that dollar is going to.

**(Member Pearcy returns to the meeting.)**

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Lion's Triangle
  - There has not been much change with this. It is a dangerous intersection. Lions Triangle doesn't cost too much for upkeep.
- Heritage Park
  - There are 2 shrubs that are dead. We do have sprinklers up there, but they are leaking and due to short staffing in public works we have kept them off to prevent water loss. The summer was hot so there wasn't much we could do with the park for it to look lush. Maybe we can clean it out and put rock in there instead of grass, maybe add a welcome to River Oaks sign.

- Wooldridge Park
  - (Skate Park) Member Percy spoke with a company that collaborated with the Dickeys Area; he will have more information at the next meeting. The board needs to get with the fine arts department at the school and maybe get a few more painters from CISD kids/teachers that will be kept PG13.
- McGee Park
  - The board says thank you to public works for blocking off the playground equipment. The lights are great. (Lights at McGee will go off at 10pm) the board would like to get pricing for the water fountain idea at McGee Park.
- Lone Star J.R. Park
  - We are waiting for a proposal on an electric meter box. It will be about \$2,000 for the installation, and it will come out of park maintenance.

**Correspondence:**

**12. Board Member Questions, Comments and Announcements**

Board members discussing the best way to raise money for the parks department.  
Car show is on September 23, 2023, at the Community Center


**Adjourn:**


**13. Adjournment: 8:28 p.m.**

Member Percy made a motion to adjourn.  
Member Myrick seconded the motion.

**All voted “aye.”**

**Respectfully Submitted:**

  
Cassandra Dyer, Recording Secretary

  
Bob Jamison, Chairman