

Minutes of the River Oaks Park Board

Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 6:30 pm

5300 Blackstone Dr., River Oaks, Tx 76114

Members Present:

Hub Makarwich, Chairman

Joe Ashton, Council Liaison

Jimmy Warriner, Place 3

J.Lynn Vandiver, Alternate 1

Norma Cumberledge, Place 2

Donna Brooks, Place 5 Secretary

Staff Present:

James Hatley, Public Works Director

Visitors Present:

James Myrick, Citizen

David Lee and Sandra Michaels

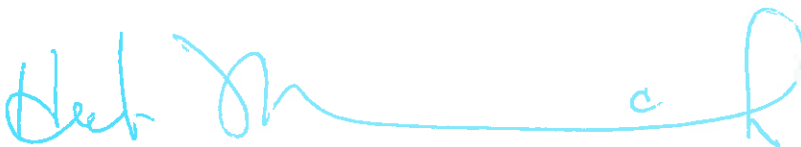
Absent:

David Ballard – Vice-Chair - Excused

Charles McComb – Alternate 2- Excused

AGENDA:

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Makarwich called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm
2. **Member Roll Call:** (Makarwich, Ashton, Warriner , Vandiver, Cumberledge, Brooks)
3. **Approve Minutes from Meeting on March 6, 2014:** Chairman Makarwich entertained the motion to approve the minutes from the March 6 and the Special Workshop meetings from Saturday, March 15.
J. Lynn Vandiver motioned and Donna Brooks seconded the motion. All- Aye.
4. **Report from Council Liaison, Joe Ashton:** Joe thanked the members for all they do for the City.
5. **Discussion and/or Action on request from Sandra Michaels regarding the plan for Youth Soccer fields to be built on the land located at the St. Elisabeth's Church located at 5910 Black Oak Ln. 76114.**
 - a. Sandra Michaels and David Lee, representatives from St. Elisabeth's Church, attended the recent City Council meeting and have met with the area School representatives. The school representatives stated the school children were interested in playing soccer. The soccer fields would be for Youths – age 4 through 12. Sandra and David have met with Mike Vargas with LYSA.



b. The Church lot has enough room to build 3 youth soccer fields or one large soccer field. The church lot is 4.5 acres. Two of the acres would be needed for parking.

c. James Hatley will meet with Sandra at the church to determine all details necessary to go forward with the project.

DETAILS WOULD INCLUDE:

1. Water Table, irrigation system, dirt work (Rams Construction could provide a quote for the dirt work.
2. Type of grass to be planted (drought tolerant)
3. Who would support the maintenance of the soccer fields?
4. James Myrick will speak with the rep at Camp Carter regarding how they established their soccer fields?
5. Cost Involved?
Could Carswell or Lockheed donate some \$ to this Project? It may be possible to apply for a grant from the State of Texas.

NOTE: A standard regulation large field could cost approximately \$120,000.

- a. Chairman Makarwich stated that LYSA would need to spearhead this Project.
- b. Once the size, layout, perimeters and all details concerning the cost of completing the field(s) are established, then Chairman Makarwich to present the project to the City Council for their consideration.

NOTE: Sandra Michaels' goal is to establish all details and would like to open the soccer fields in Spring 2015. A TASK Force was established: James Hatley, Joe Ashton and Norma Cumberlandge offered to assist. James Myrick offered to be an Advisor of the Project.

6. Update on Timeline for Workers to take care of Heritage Park:
 - a. J. Lynn asked James Hatley to have the city workers take down the wooden fence and lattice located at the south side of Heritage Park. The fence has a large hole in it.
 - b. James Hatley reports that after the backflow test(s) are completed, he will turn the water on at all Parks. He will fertilize the lot(s). He will obtain the mulch needed for the garden areas.
Noted: Tuesday and Saturday are the designated water days.
7. Discussion and/ or action on Motion Sensors: Pricing, status and Neighbor authorization:
 - a. James Hatley had checked on the pricing of the motion sensors. City Hall has the bulbs in stock. Cost of the motion sensor is \$ 25.99. (NOTE: Will the motion sensor need to be enclosed in a cage or steel box?)
 - b. Chairman Makarwich entertained the motion to purchase one Zenith Motion activated Sensor . J. Lynn motioned and Donna B. seconded the motion. All – AYE.

- c. James Hatley will purchase the motion sensor and pay for it out of the Park Maintenance budget. He will set the light on Tuesday, April 10. He will provide 2 lights from the cities stock. The motion sensor will be installed high on a pole facing the Wooldridge Skate Pk.
- d. James Hatley will notify the police department in writing RE: the installation of the Motion sensor light.
- e. James Hatley will ask Oncor to install a flood light near the water meter area at Wooldridge Pk.

8. WORKSHOP:

1. **Plans for planting flowers and bushes this Spring at Lion's Triangle:**
 - a. James Myrick advised all Board Members to check the Smartscape Website and the Tarrant County water board website.
 - b. We discussed the possibility of installing crushed granite (Choices of color are: white, brown or dark reddish brown).
 - c. Lions Triangle lot needs black weed block fabric installed to block the weeds. We need 2 or 2 ½ inches of mulch added.
 - d. NO Action at this time.
2. **Tree Problems at Coates Park:**
 - a. Issues with the Pistachio Trees crowding the Oak trees.
 - b. Chairman Makarwich will post a special meeting to be held on Monday, April 7 at 6:30 pm. Trees that need to be cut down will be tagged with orange tape.
 - c. Pistachio Trees are not re-plantable.
 - d. City must notify neighbors at Coates Park in advance of the due date for the Workshop to cut the trees.
3. **Street Light over electric Meter or meters at Park properties (James Hatley):**
 - . James Hatley reports this task regarding the street light is complete.

9. Action, if any from Workshop:

- a. Committee will determine a date in the near future for a WORKSHOP to be held.

10. Updates on building maintenance requests:

- a. James Hatley reports that someone removed the wires from the timer on McGee Parks Score Board. The Electrician repaired the issue on April 3.
- b. James Hatley's workers have been re-securing the fences at the ball fields.
- c. Regarding the east side ramp at the skate park, it will cost \$200.00 to replace the RAMP.

d. Some sprinkler heads need replaced. Chairman Makarwich has the replacement heads in stock.

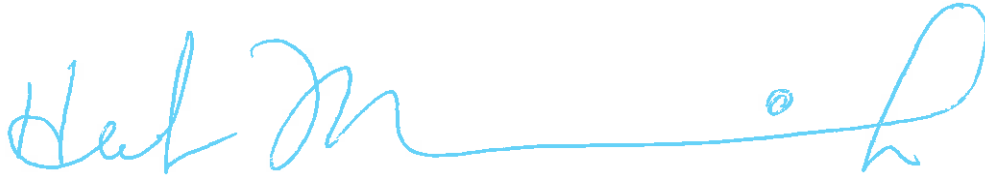
e. Issue at Mc Gee Park: The Men's restroom door jamb will be caulked. The stall divider that was torn down by vandals, will not be replaced.

11. Committee Reports: Discussion and any and all other matters relating to all Park Properties.

a. Lydick Park and Schieffer Park are noted on the Voting ballot to be held in May 2014, regarding approval of selling these parks. *properties*

12. Public Forum:

13: Adjournment: Chairman Makarwich entertained the motion to adjourn the meeting on April 3, 2014 at 7:57. J. Lynn motioned, Donna B. seconded the motion.

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