

**Minutes of the River Oaks Park Board**

**Thursday, May 1, 2014 at 6:30 pm**

**5300 Blackstone Dr., River Oaks, Texas 76114**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Hub Makarwich, Chairman**

**David Ballard, Vice- Chair**

**Norma Cumberledge, Place 2**

**Jimmy Warriner, Place 3**

**Donna Brooks, Place 5, Secretary**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

**James Hatley, Public Works Director**

**VISITORS PRESENT:**

**James Myrick, Citizen**

**ABSENT:**

**Joe Ashton, Council Liaison – Excused**

**J. Lynn Vandiver – Alternate 1 – Excused**

**Charles McComb – Alternate 2 – did not  
request an excused absence**

**MINUTES APPROVED  
6-5-2014  
David Ballard**

**AGENDA:**

**1. Call to Order:**

**David Ballard – the Vice- Chairman called the Meeting to Order at 6:33 pm.**

**2. Member Roll Call: ( Members- Ballard, Warriner, Brooks, Makarwich , Cumberledge).**

**3. Approve Minutes from Meeting on April 3, 2014 and Special Meeting on April 7,2014 ( Coates Park)**

- a. **April 3 Meeting minutes – Warriner made the motion to approve the minutes, Brooks seconded the motion. All – Aye.**
  - b. **April 7 Meeting Minutes – Makarwich made the motion to approve, Warriner seconded the motion. All – Aye.**
4. **Report from Council Liaison Joe Ashton – Ashton – was absent.**
5. **Discussion and/or Action on the recommendation to the council regarding planned improvements at Coates Park.**
  - a. **It is noted that the City Council will meet May 13 and May 27, 2014.**
  - b. **Chairman Makarwich will discuss with the City Council regarding removing the thirteen( 13) Chinese pistachios trees that are crowding and stunting the growth of the Live Oak Trees.**
  - c. **Plan to trim the Live Oaks, Carolina Buckthorns and the barrier of bushes ( Date to be determined).**
  - d. **We will seek advice in advance of cutting the trees, with Steve Winters or other knowledgeable tree specialists.**
6. **Discussion and/or Action regarding request from Sandra Michaels for providing fields for Youth Soccer.**
  - a. **Norma Cumberlandge attended the meeting on Wednesday, April 30 with Sandra Michaels, James Myrick and others at St. Elisabeth’s Church located at 5910 Black Oak Lane in River Oaks.**
  - b. **Raydon Inc., provided the proposal/estimate to build three (3) Soccer fields behind the Church. ( Proposal is attached, see last page of this document). The Total cost = \$40,580.00.**
  - c. **Sandra Michaels will approach the National Diocese, Lions Club, Fort Worth Soccer, YMCA, area businesses regarding possible funding and sponsorship of this project.**

d. The members of the Park Board addressed other details/expenses/concerns...

**1. Who would maintain the fields? Cost involved to maintain the fields?**

a. The Youth soccer Committee was inquiring regarding what kind of assistance the City of River Oaks can provide with field maintenance/water expense?

**2. How many years would the fields be available?**

a. Would LYSA run the program?

b. RE: could City lease the field at the St. Elisabeth's Church for \$1.00 a year (Since the church can not sale the lots.

Note: LYSA did at one time run a Soccer program. The program was cut because LYSA did not have the fund to pay for renting of the soccer fields. If we did have an active Soccer Program, LYSA's registration fees would provide the uniforms.

**3. Scoreboard cost? Sponsorship? Equipment?**

LYSA's registration fees would provide the Uniforms.

**4. Confirm Citywide Citizens children's interest? (Ages 6 – 12).**

a. Consider having a soccer camp or some other event to create interest and gauge the community's support for a youth soccer program.

**5. Lighting needed? ( Depending on seasonal games)**

**6. 2 acres needed for Parking.**

**7. Workshop:**

**1. Plans for planting flowers and bushes this Spring at the Lion's Triangle.**

a. David Ballard will provide/present a quote at our next meeting, June 5. David will include cost of rototilling the soil, cost of granite ground cover, cost of several types of heat tolerant plants/flowers,etc.

2. Tree problems at Coates Park. a. See 5a.

3. Street Light over electric meter or meters at park properties ( James Hatley).

a. James Hatley reports all lights have been repaired, with the exception of the light at the large Ball field. That pole will be repaired the week of May 5.

8. Action, if any from Workshop:

a. To be determined

1. Heritage Park:

a. Brooks offered to trim bushes etc. Warriner and Cumberledge may be available to assist.

2. Lion Triangle:

a. Lion Triangle- See under Workshop( 7) 1.a

3. Coates Park:

a. See #5

4. Wooldridge Park

a. Norma Cumberledge mentioned we needed to plan a work day. ( TBD).

5. Mc Gee Park

a. James Hatley reports the Kickball field will be ready around May 19,2014

10. Public Forum:

**a. James Hatley reports that River Oaks will form a Youth Council, available later in 2014.**

**b. Chairman Makarwich asked James Hatley if it would be possible to book a room at the City Hall for our future regular meetings which are the first Thursdays of every month at 6:30. James said he would check the availability.**

**11. Adjournment:**

**Chairman Makarwich motioned to adjourn the Meeting at 8:33 pm on 5/1, 2014. Brooks seconded the motion.**

**\*See quote Attached on next page ( RE: Soccer Fields)**

**RAYDON INC, PO. BOX 671, Breckenridge, Tx 76424 at 817 773 4601**

**Proposal**

**4/15/2014**

**RE; SOCCER FIELDS**

**RAYDON INC. PROPOSES TO BUILD THREE SOCCER FIELDS BEHIND THE CHURCH  
IN RIVER OAKS TEXAS.**

- 1) LAYOUT AND STAKING OF FIELDS**
- 2) CLEAR AND GRUB 45950 SF AND STOCK PILE**
- 3) GRADING OF 45950 SF**
- 4) REPLACE TOP SOIL**
- 5) SUPPLY AND PLACE 150 CY PREMEIAN TOP SOIL**
- 6) 8 ZONE IRRIGATION SYSTEM WITH CONTROLER, DBL CHECK, AND FREEZE  
SENSOR**
- 7) HYDROMULCH 45950 SF**
- 8) SUPPLY AND INSTALL 3 SETS OF PORTABLE SOCCER GOALS**
- 9) CLEAN UP OF AREA**

**TOTAL COST \_\_\_\_\_ \$40,580.00**

**SOCCER FIELDS ARE DESIGNED FOR AGES 5-8 YEARS OLD**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION PLEASE CALL**

**THANK YOU,  
BRIAN SMITH  
RAYDON INC.**