

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
RIVER OAKS PARKS BOARD
January 12, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

BOB JAMISON, VICE CHAIRMAN, PLACE 4
JAMES MYRICK, PLACE 3
JOKSAN HOLQUIN, PLACE 5
LEIGH ANN TUNER, COUNCIL LIAISON

STAFF PRESENT:

GORDON SMITH, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
CASSANDRA DYER, PUBLIC WORKS ADMIN

MEMBERS ABSENT:

DAVID BALLARD, CHAIRMAN, PLACE 1
JLYNN VANDIVER, SECRETARY, PLACE 2

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum V-Chair Member Jamison called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M. on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: CITIZENS ARE INVITED TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AND DURING THE MEETING BY RAISING YOUR HAND TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA, THE STORM WATER TASK FORCE (SWTF) IS REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO LIMIT ITS RESPONSE WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC FACTUAL INFORMATION, RECITING THE CITY'S EXISTING POLICY ON THAT ISSUE, OR DIRECTING THE PERSON MAKING THE INQUIRY TO VISIT WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT THE ISSUE AND NO BOARD DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.

No testimony

3. MEMBER ROLL CALL

Chairman Ballard not able to attend.
Member Vandiver not able to attend.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

No Minutes to review.

5. REPORT FROM COUNCIL LIAISON COUNCILMEMBER PLACE 3, LEIGH ANN TUNER

Report is not available due to Marvin being unable to attend.

Mrs. Tuner: we used all the \$2,000 that was given by the Parks Board and EDC, plus a couple hundred extra. While spending they were smart and got items that could be reused for the future parades and tree lightings. They have everything in storage for safe keeping. Mrs. Tuner is happy with everything that happened even with the day change. They have started meetings for next year. They have not set a date yet. Everyone will meet in June.

6. REPORT ON EXPENDITURES FOR YEARS CHRISTMAS PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING

7. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON THE FUTURE PLANS FOR THE SKATE PARK MURAL PROJECT AT WOOLDRIDGE PARK.

James is working on Oncor lighting for Wooldridge Park. We are leaning towards using the existing pole already placed on Wooldridge Park. Nothing has been decided.

Public Works Director will get with Marvin about Oncor.

Public Works Director does not know if they will repaint or painting more(new). But we would like the ideas to go through the Parks Board for approval. Mr. Smith will get pictures and bring them to the next meeting for the board to see.

Public Works received retainage blocks from CISD. We plan to get more training about the blocks, so when we start repairs we will know what we are doing, and there is less chance of the breaking.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Lion's Triangle
 - Had a meter break during the freeze and flooded the intersection, we had the meter off and have it planned to replace the meter.
- Heritage Park (River Oaks Community Garden)
 - They are going to be planting new plants come February first.
- Wooldridge Park
 - Spoke about early in meeting.
- McGee Park
 - The lighting is out at the park, we need to look into replacing the bulbs.
 - The construction stand needs a new roof, we are waiting on a contractor.
 - The doors locks need to be replaced on the bathroom doors.
 - Mrs. Tuner is asking about getting grants. Maybe getting a water fountain placed out at McGee to help get rid of the water bottle trash.
- Lone Star J.R. Park
 - No report
- Community Center (River Oaks Community Garden #2)
 - Will have removed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

9. BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Like to see McGee Park into something new. We need a whole new vision for McGee Park. Walking trails are still a good idea, we will have to spend a lot of money to fix McGee Park. Maybe we can get a panel of children to get their opinion about what they would like to see.

ADJOURN:

10. ADJOURN 7:54 P.M.

Member Holguin made a motion to adjourn.
Member Jamison seconded the motion.

All voted "aye."

ATTEST:


Recording Secretary

APPROVED:


David Ballard, Chairman