

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING HELD THURSDAY MARCH 20, 2014 AT 4:00 AT THE
GLENNIE O'HAM CENTER, 1002 N. MUSIC**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Member Lauren Roth, Member Tracey Brown,
Member John Murphy, Chairman Trent Bass,
Member Rhonda McCollum, Member Jencie Bolin

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Winkler, Parks and Community Service Director
Theresa Hutchinson, Recreation Manager
Kim Hobbs, Secretary
Matthew Hubert, Athletic Coordinator
Jimmy Mrozinski, Parks Maintenance Superintendent
Keith Bibb, Recreation Specialist/Aquatics
Shonkista Stephens, Recreation Coordinator
Patsy Howard, Senior Citizens Activities Coordinator

GUESTS: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: Member Michael Gillum

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Trent Bass called the meeting to order at 4:01pm with a quorum present.

APPROVE MINUTES

Chairman Trent Bass asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes of February 13, 2014. There were no corrections.

ACTION TAKEN

Motion by Member John Murphy to approve minutes as written; second by Member Lauren Roth. All voted aye.

REPORT ON PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Hutchinson announced that the Kick Winter to the Curb Festival would be on April 5th. The festival will have kite contests, bike rodeo, vendors, bike ride, and entertainment. The festival is a free event and will begin at 10:00am. Keep Sherman Beautiful will also be a part of the festival. The rain date will be on April 12th. The Binkley Park Bike Trail grand opening will be on March 22nd at 10:45 with a cookout afterwards provided by Austin College. The Flashlight Egg Hunt will be on April 11th and the Eggstravaganza on April 12th. Mrs. Hutchinson passed out the pool brochure to the park board members. The Splash will open on May 24th and Learn to Swim registration will begin on April 1st for Sherman Residents. This year a second evening session for Learn to Swim has been added. The Parks & Recreation Department is now hiring for cashiers, lifeguards, and a maintenance position for the pool. Mrs. Hutchinson announced that Shakespeare in the Grove and Hot Summer Nights (during the month of July) will be held at Pecan Grove Park West.

REPORT ON PARKS AND RECREATION SPORTS

Mr. Hubert reported that his adult basketball league was ending and that spring softball had started. SYSA started practicing and opening day for youth baseball is March 29th. TSA's games have started

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

March 20, 2014

Page 2

at Fairview Park and Center Street Park. SHS baseball, softball, and Austin College softball has started at Old Settler's Park and Fairview Park.

REPORT ON PARKS MAINTENANCE

Mr. Mrozinski reported that the Parks Maintenance Department is finished with winter projects and have now started grounds maintenance. He is interviewing for twelve seasonal employees that he will be hiring. Applicants must be 18 years old to apply. The department will be training for playground safety soon. They are leveling out a lot of areas at the parks especially near the trails. Mr. Mrozinski told the board members if they knew anyone that had any issues they could report them on the website under the citizen tracker. Mr. Mrozinski said it really helps when people report trail lights that are out on the citizen tracker.

REPORT ON SENIOR CENTER

Mrs. Howard reported on the activities at the Senior Center for the months of March and April. On March 26th the Health Department will host a wellness program, and on March 28th they will have a hospice program. For the month of April the center has an inside sale on April 1st, harp lessons on April 8th, Homestead salute to seniors on April 10th, a geocaching group meeting on April 17th, and on April 22nd a health fair with different vendors.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Trent Bass asked if Parks & Recreation ever considered offering a Spanish class. Mrs. Hutchinson replied that in the past they offered a Spanish class but they could offer the class again if she had an instructor. Chairman Trent Bass said he may know someone that would like to teach the class. Mr. Murphy said he may also know someone interested in teaching.

Chairman Trent Bass asked if there had been any more thought on making a BMX bike park. Mr. Winkler reported that there isn't any funding for the BMX park now but in the future there may be. Mr. Winkler said that the Binkley Park Bike Trail was made with all volunteers.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was set for Thursday, April 10th at 4:00p.m. at the Glennie O'Ham.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chairman Trent Bass to adjourn the meeting; All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.

SIGNATURES

Trent Bass,
Advisory Board Chairman

Kevin Winkler,
Parks and Community Service Director

Date

Date