

**FINAL - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 7pm by Joe Turner

2. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Joe Turner, Jason Vreeland, Tom Blagg, Katie Rae Preston, Joyce Compton, Courtney Lyons-Garcia

The following members were absent: Amber Brown

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Discuss and consider approval of the March 19, 2024 Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Joe Turner introduced the item. Staff was directed to make minor correction to minutes to add 'picnic tables' to item 5 of Recognitions. Tom Blagg motioned to approve the minutes with the correction added. Courtney Lyons-Garcia seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

4. RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) May Recognitions and Announcements

Joe Turner introduced the item. Chad Donegan discussed the department's Gold Medal Finalist nomination, Park Foundation fundraisers, the Comal Cemetery Historical Marker, and upcoming events.

5. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

This time is for citizens to address the Park and Recreation Advisory Board on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no Board action at this time.

No citizens spoke at this time.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A) Parks and Recreation Ordinance Updates

Joe Turner introduced the item. Shannon Jackson spoke on three Parks and Recreation ordinance updates.

B) Summer Recreation and Staffing Update

Joe Turner introduced the item. Stephanie Chelar presented the following information and answered questions:

Landa Recreation Center: Three camp counselors needed to be fully staffed. Day camps and summer camps full and other summer programs are filling up fast.

Fischer Park: One attendant position needed to be fully staffed.

Athletics: Coordinators and cashers almost all hired. Paddle TX to assume daily operations on June 1. Leagues and sports camps and field rentals continue through the summer.

Aquatics: Coordinators hired, over half of lifeguards hired. Weekday operations starting after this weekend. Collaborated with the Fire Chief on recruitment for lifeguards as a pipeline for public service jobs.

C) May Park Project Updates

Joe Turner introduced the item. Jeff Bransford discussed the ongoing park projects:

Mission Hill Park

Open House May 30th 5pm City Hall

In final design

Zipp Family Sports Park

Updated drone imagery of site

Field of Graves Memorial

Still awaiting archaeological assessment report from THC

Dry Comal Segment 1

final design/land acquisition

Segments 2 & 3

In Preliminary Design

Landa Lake Dam and Spillway
EDC approved \$1M in funding
Construction to start in the fall

Last Tubers Exit
Solicitation out in June
EDC approved \$1.2M in funding
Construction to start in the fall

Landa Park Golf Course Back Patio
Pre-construction
To be completed late summer

System Master Plan
Contract to be awarded by Council on May 28

Northwest Park Master Plan
RFQ received 15 responses

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

There were no discussion and action items for this meeting.

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

There were no agenda items discussed for the next meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Joyce Compton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Courtney Lyons-Garcia seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

By: _____
CHAIR

Attest:

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