

**FINAL - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Jason Vreeland called the meeting to order at 6pm.

2. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Jason Vreeland, Katie Rae Preston, Joyce Compton, Courtney Lyons-Garcia, Eric Reed, Destin Singleton, and Laurie Wehring.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Discuss and consider approval of the February 11, 2025 Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Jason Vreeland introduced the item. Joyce Compton made a motion to approve the minutes, Destin Singleton made the second.

4. RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) March Recognitions and Announcements

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Chad introduced Davis Brown, our Parks Intern for the spring.

Chad Donegan was awarded the South Texas PGA President's Award.

The Landa Park Golf Course is celebrating 10 years since the renovation on Saturday, March 15th.

Upcoming events:

Park Foundation 4th Annual Golf Tournament

Earth Day: Grow Green with Parks and Headwaters

Thru the Chute

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.

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

No citizens spoke at this time.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A) Summer Hiring Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Geronimo Aguirre gave an update on the status of summer hiring. Hiring for 15+ year olds.

There are currently 90+ applicants in the process for hiring right now.

Staff is using social media for recruiting as well as attending agency and job fairs at Texas State and local school districts.

B) River Paid Parking Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Shannon Jackson presented on the updates to the Resident River Parking Pass and River Parking Lot management. Digital river pass access will be available starting on April 1.

C) Market Plaza Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item. Chad Donegan spoke on some recent upgrades made to Market Plaza. The New Braunfels Parks Foundation provided the funding to complete the concrete sidewalk around the park and repair irrigation lines. A Texas Historical Marker has been installed and will be dedicated on May 28th.

D) Park Development Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item. Jeff Bransford gave an update on the System Master Plan. At the April 8th Board Meeting BerryDunn will hold a Visioning Session with the Board members.

Chad Donegan gave an update from the Winter Council Retreat.

LPAC - work is progressing on the Olympic Pool and bath house.

Zipp- Programming expected to begin March 2026 but is dependent on water source and grass health.

Mission Hill - permitting in progress, subcontractors being set, park will close when construction begins.

Fischer Park - Park Foundation donated four new tables for the NEC and supplies for a monarch mural.

Willard Canyon - open to the public. S&S Trail starting design work for the remainder of the trail.

Northwest Park - site visits ongoing with RVi

318 new concrete tables for park system paid for out of Park Development Fees

Alligator Creek West - 3,300 linear ft of trail complete, 2,000 linear ft left to go.

Last Tubers Exit-stairway at the bottom demoed, project moving forward.

7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

A) Presentation, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding updating park hours.

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Chad Donegan presented a proposal to update park hours to 6am-10pm.

Courtney Lyons-Garcia made a motion to table this item, Joyce Compton second.

8. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

1. Park Hours

2. Summer Hiring Update

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

By: _____
CHAIR

Attest:

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