

**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL
550 Landa St**

Tuesday, October 19th, 2021 at 6:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

Joe Turner called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Joe Turner, Thomas Blagg, Jason Vreeland, Katie Rae Preston and Kristen Carden

Board members absent: Bryan Feltner

Staff members present: Stacey Dicke, Director; Ken Wilson, Assistant Director; Ylida Capriccioso, Park Development Manager; Stephanie Chelar, Recreation Center Manager; Cassandra Paddock, Recreation Supervisor; Jonathan Cruz, Administrative Associate

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approving the minutes of regular meeting of September 14th, 2021.

Jason Vreeland made a motion to approve the minutes; Thomas Blagg seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Landa Lake Dam Structure Update**
 - Mark Enders, Watershed Program Manager presented the TCEQ Dam Safety Program with the focus being on the Landa Park Lake Dam. The purpose is to improve the dam while making it TCEQ Adequate.
- B. River Update**
 - David Davenport provided the Board with the 2021 End of Season River Report on the behalf of Amy Niles. The river had an increase in first-time guest, crowds were well behaved, and although we were limited on staff, Tube Chute lifeguards had less saves and assists in comparison to previous years. Parking revenue was up from 2020 and compliance with the disposable container ordinance was well received. Litter numbers were higher due to the first-time guest, but litter found by scuba has continued to decrease.
- C. Das Rec Update**
 - Stephanie Chelar, Das Rec Manager provided a Das Rec update regarding membership data, FY 2021-22 budget, and explained how we achieved close to 100% cost recovery in FY21. Das Rec was closed for three days due to maintenance which allowed for cleaning of the facility, refinished wood floors, and a mural in Kinder Care that pays tribute to Landa Park. Fall programming is currently in full swing with programs and youth leagues.
- D. Park Projects Update**
 - **Pickleball Court Striping:** Staff will stripe pickleball courts on the Hoffman Park (1) and Eikel Park (2) basketball courts to provide additional opportunities for outdoor play.
 - **Comal River Improvements:** Staff met with Freese and Nichols on Monday, October 11 to discuss next steps on the project. A report will be made at the November Park Board meeting with information on next steps for the project.
 - **Alligator Creek Trail Master Plan Update:** A public open house was held on Sept. 15 at the NBU Service Center. An online community questionnaire was posted following the meeting. The residents that attended the open house (24) were able to view maps of the study area, review proposed trail alignment, and consider park and trail amenities. The online community survey presented the same maps and the

linear park and trail as well as other recommendations. All the materials from the public meeting are on the project webpage. A draft report will be completed at the end of the month and presented to the steering committee for review.

- **Dry Comal Trail Update:** No update.
- **Mission Hill Park Update:** Revised drainage plans have been submitted to TCEQ. TCEQ has a 30 minimum and 90 day max to review the plans. The THC report has reviewed with no issues noted. Tentatively, bidding is planned for mid-October.
- **Cypress Bend Restroom Update:** The Environmental Constraints Report has been completed. The engineering team is now refining their proposed recommendations/options based on that report.
- **Elizabeth Street Parking Project:** Water quality pond is under construction and moving forward. They are targeting a mid-November (after Wurstfest) for roadway reopening and December 2021 for final completion. New Braunfels street department has paved the first coat of a temporary walkway to be used during Wurstfest and contractor has done a lift of base material.
- **NBU Sewer Line Replacement (Hinman Island Dr):** Contractor is completing final landscape items and revegetation. Related to this project is the NBU 24' water line replacement. Contractors continue to work on receiving pit on golf course after the first of the year.
- **Sports Complex Update:** The Design Team submitted a 90% plan set for review and permitting. Bidding is tentatively scheduled for January 2022. Staff is refining the Operations and Maintenance Plan and beginning to develop a list of FF&E that is needed for the opening of the facility.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- In preparation for the seating of a Bond Advisory Committee to support a proposed 2023 Bond Election, we are requesting the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to select one member for appointment to the Bond Advisory Committee.
Katie Rae Preston nominated Joe Turner following a second from Thomas Blagg, which passed unanimously.

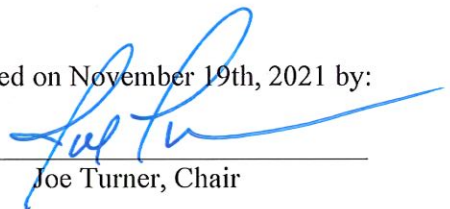
AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Joe Turner would like a Golf Course update.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Approved on November 19th, 2021 by:



Joe Turner, Chair



Stacey Dicke, Director

Member	Current Term	Regular & Special Meetings Held 10/20-10/21	Attended	Missed
Joe Turner	10/16/18 – 10/16/22	10	10	1
Bryan Feltner	9/22/14 – 10/13/23	10	7	4
Tom Blagg	10/16/18 – 10/16/21	10	11	0
Kristen Carden	10/14/19 -10/14/22	10	8	3

Katie Rae Preston	10/20/20 – 10/13/23	10	10	1
Jason Vreeland	10/20/20 – 10/13/23	10	11	0

