# MINUTES OF CITY OF BASTROP PARKS AND PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY BOARD

### February 1, 2024

The Bastrop Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Members present were Kerry Fossler, Rick Rivera, Steven Forbert, Margaret Robinson, Deborah Jones, Jamie Creacy, and Gail Sheehan. No members were absent. City staff and representatives present were Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore. Council Member Jimmy Crouch was absent.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:32 p.m. Chair Deborah Jones called the meeting to order.

## 2. REPORTS

2A. Parks Report Report was given by Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore.

## 2B. Bastrop Recreation Report

Report was given by Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore.

## 2C. Bastrop State Park Report

Report was given by Board Member Jamie Creacy.

#### 2D. Bird City Coalition Report

Report was given by Board Member Kerry Fossler.

#### 2E. Director's Meeting Update

Painting/resurfacing the basketball courts in City, will happen in spring. Mural at Delgato Park – council accepted donation to do mural on the bathroom side. Conversations with Delgato to discuss family and culture being shared in the park. Park restrooms are on the radar.

Signage – Branding, addresses are being added to wooden signs, new sign at bark park. Also, directional signage.

We have researched rolling nets for pickleball – first one will go to Bob Bryant. A phone call was made about the parking lot but no response yet.

#### 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizen Comments.

#### 4. WORKSHOP

No workshop.

#### 5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

5A. Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from the January 4, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

Minutes not available. Will be considered at March meeting.

# 5B. Consider and act to amend the official name of the Parks Advisory Board

We are a Tree City. To be a Tree City you need a Public Tree Advisory Board. We currently have two boards with the same people on them. Member Jamie Creacy made a motion to change name of this board to "Parks & Recreation Board." Member Gail Sheehan seconded. Vote was unanimous. Public Tree Advisory Board name will not change.

- 5C. Update and discuss agreement with the Bastrop County Master Gardeners (BCMG) and Bastrop Master Naturalists (BMN) as it pertains to the Mayor's Monarch Challenge. Will be on the agenda at the council meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **5D. Consider and act on support for a venue tax as a revenue source for possible sports complex.** City Manager was here last meeting and talked about doing a sporting complex. Stantec has drawn up a CONCEPTUAL drawing for the property at the end of the Industrial Park. For money to do a project such as this, proposing a venue tax of 2% on top of current 13.75% hotel motel tax. Motion to support a 2% venue tax to support this effort made by Margaret Robinson. Second by Rick Rivera. Vote passes unanimously.
- 5E. Consider and discuss a Non-Quorum Park Cleaning Program
   To accomplish this, we must keep attendance to a maximum of 3 members. Deborah is going to take this effort on for coordination.
- 5F. Update and discuss Parks Master Plan
  Will be holding a workshop Monday 2/5 to discuss components.
  49 loads of dirt are going to be delivered to the rodeo arena.
- **5G.** Discuss date and planned outcome of the workplan workshop. City Hall meeting at 5:30pm on Monday 2/5.

#### 6. ADJORNMENT

Member Kerry Fosler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Member Margaret Robinson seconded. The vote passed unanimously.