

MINUTES OF CITY OF BASTROP PARKS AND PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY BOARD

April 4, 2024

The Bastrop Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 4, 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, and Assistant City Manager Andres Rosales.

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 p.m. Chair Deborah Jones called the meeting to order.

2. REPORTS

2A. Parks and Recreation Operations Report

Report was given by Parks and Recreation Director Terry Moore.

2B. Bastrop State Park Report

Report was given by New Park Superintendent Nathanael Gold.

2C. Bird City Coalition Report

Report was given by Board Member Kerry Fossler.

2D. Director's Meeting Update

Monday eclipse Bob Bryant

Thursday music in the park Fisherman's

Saturday Movie in the Park, Touch a Truck Bob Bryant

Lemonade Day May 4, Rec Center Programming for Youth

Parks are now fully staffed.

Solar lights are installed at the Skate Park

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Daniel Carillo – Bastrop baseball coach. We need baseball fields, there is nowhere for kids to practice or play. Families all drive to other towns and it is hard for everyone to do that. We are willing to help.

Casey and Ryan Powell – Our child is in select ball. We travel to other towns because Bastrop can't provide the needs for baseball. All of our money gets spent in these other towns and we would like to see it spent here. We can't find a place to practice.

4. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

4A. Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from the March 7, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

Kerry Fossler made a motion to approve. Gail Sheehan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4B. Consider and discuss the non-quorum park cleaning program.

This is an opportunity for parks board members to help out in the parks by cleaning up after events. Various members signed up to help on various days.

4C. Discuss proposed Park/River clean up day

TLC River Project (The Lower Colorado). Morning of May 19 cleanup at Fisherman's and Bob Bryant. Texas Paddling Trails could be tied in.

4D. Update and discuss Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Highest priority for board is to propose changes to the building code so more/better park land can be set aside. Board will be working on this next month.

Would like the developer behind Bucees to consider putting in the trail up to Mayfest as well as developing a park.

4E. Discuss date and planned outcome of the workplan workshop

Discuss next month.

5. ADJORNMENT

Member Gail Sheehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Member Margaret Robinson seconded. The vote passed unanimously.