



# Founders Day Committee Regular Meeting

*Dripping Springs City Hall*

*511 Mercer Street - Dripping Springs, Texas*

*Monday, March 09, 2026, at 6:30 PM*

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## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of 13 Committee members present (8 required), Chair Shindler called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm.

#### *Committee Members present*

Jeff Shindler, Chair

Susan Warwick, Secretary

Scott Berry

Jerome Borges

Justin Cornett

Sirena Cumberland

Lisa Garza

Sharon Goss

Mark Handley

Scott Phillips

Kimberley Rutherford

Eric Strang

Thomas Toms

Michael Ward

#### *Committee Members absent*

Clinton Holtzendorf, Vice Chair

Jordan Searle

#### *Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials*

Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz

Parks and Community Services Assistant Director Emily Nelson

Content Marketing Specialist Stephanie Hartnett

City Attorney Aniz Alani

Maintenance Director Riley Sublett

Council Member Sherrie Parks

Council Member Geoffrey Tahuahua

## MINUTES

### 1. Minutes Report

*Susan Warwick, Secretary*

*Report is for update purposes only and no action shall be taken.*

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

### Community Events Coordinator Report

*Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator*

The four public restrooms will be open for the public. A porter service will maintain these restrooms during the event. The Parks Department will cover this expense for this year. \$40,000 in sponsorships have been received. Parade applications have opened. Thirteen have come in. The parade committee has imposed a limit of 35 persons per group (DSHS Band will be allowed more). Groups should have one adult for each ten children. Candy may be given but not thrown. The DSHS Band, Hi-Steppers and cheerleaders will have a welcoming rally near the Main Stage to kick off the parade.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

*Reports are for purposes of planning and providing staff direction for activities related to the Founders Day Event, and no action shall be taken.*

### 2. Arts & Crafts Committee

*Members: Handley, Borges, Strang (St. Martin de Porres Reps)*

*Staff: Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

The committee will maintain a ratio of 70 to 30 for number of Arts & Crafts/Non-Profits booths to business booths. Applications for these booths will close at midnight on Friday, March 13.

### 3. Budget Committee

*Members: Garza*

*Staff: Finance Director Shawn Cox, Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Committee Member Garza asked for numbers and/or clarification on several budget items.

### 4. Carnival & Food Committee

*Members: Goss, Phillips, Warwick (Lions Club Reps)*

Food vendor booths are full. The carnival poster will be released soon. Carnival tickets will be sold April 10 (noon) through April 24 (noon).

### 5. Cook-Off Committee

*Members: Toms, Garza, Cornett (Cook-Off Club Reps)*

Cook-Off judging area will be in Roxies's parking lot pending permission from Roxies to take apart the welds denying access to the lot (welds will be restored after the event).

**6. Downtown Relations Committee**

*Members: Searle, Holtzendorf*

Letters about road closures will be mailed to Mercer Street property owners. Committee Member Searle will hand deliver letters to the Mercer St businesses.

**7. DSISD Committee**

*Members: Cumberland, Berry (alternate)*

Plans are being made for fencing to protect DSISD buildings during the event.

**8. Entertainment Committee**

*Members: Cornett, Holtzendorf*

*Staff: Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Musicians, stage, and tents are booked. Merchandise, including choices of 6 shirts, 3 hats, a bandana and a cross-body bag, will be available for sale before, during and after the event. There will be no up-front costs to the Founders Day Committee and FDC will receive 40% of sales. Washer tournament will be announced next week. Nesthaven and Barber Shop will team with FDC on this.

**9. Parade Committee**

*Members: Rutherford and Holtzendorf*

*Staff: Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Discussed earlier during Coordinator Krantz's report. Civic Rec will cap parade entries at 45 (although that number that could be increased). DSISD groups do not have to pay the fee to enter the parade. Home Depot volunteers have offered to help with the parade.

**10. Traffic & Parking Committee**

*Members: Borges, Holtzendorf, and Toms*

*Staff: City Maintenance Director Riley Sublett, and Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Your Day Charters will run the shuttle buses.

**11. Publicity Committee**

*Members: Ward, Cornett*

*Staff: Content Marketing Specialist Stephanie Hartnett*

City employees are building a giant picture frame (12' by 12' and 8' to 10' deep) for photo opportunities. It will be located with the carnival in the background. Social media posts will be made informing the public about the changes made to the event. Ads for sponsorships will be on the DSTX Chamber of Commerce newsletter.

**12. Safety & Security Committee**

*Members: Strang, Shindler, Handley*

*Staff: Emergency Management Coordinator Roman Baligad, and City Maintenance Director Riley Sublett*

Security is lined up. Necessity for surveillance light towers was discussed.

**13. Sanitation Committee**

*Members: Phillips, Shindler, and Holtzendorf  
Staff: City Maintenance Director Riley Sublett*

Committee Member Phillips continues to meet with United to firm up plans for sanitation.

**14. Site Plan Committee**

*Members: Shindler and Handley  
Staff: City Maintenance Director Riley Sublett, and Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Updates are continuing to be made to the site plan.

**15. Sponsorship Committee**

*Members: Ward, Cornett, and Garza  
Staff: City Attorney Aniz Alani, and Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

The Sponsorship Committee continues to seek and secure sponsorships.

**16. Volunteer Committee**

*Members: Rutherford  
Staff: Parks Maintenance Manager Patrick Baglietto, and Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz*

Volunteer information has been posted on Facebook and will be given to DSHS and the middle schools.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Founders Day Commission Meetings**

- March 23, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
- April 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
- April 18, 2026, Workday Meeting
- May 11, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

**City Council Meetings**

- March 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
- April 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
- April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Committee Member Cornett to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously 12 to 0. This regular meeting of the Founders Day Committee was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

<i>Susan Warwick</i>
<i>Susan Warwick, Founders Day Committee Secretary</i>

