



**PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 11, 2018**

The Hutto Parks Advisory Board met in a regular meeting July 11, 2018, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 401 W. Front St., Hutto, Texas 78634.

1. CALL SESSION TO ORDER

Chair Gaydos called the session to order at 7:01p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members of the Parks Advisory Board that were present were Kelly Gaydos, Chair, Perry Savard, Vice Chair, Troy McMillin, Boardmember, Rose McMillin, Boardmember, Katie Weiss, Boardmember. Members of staff that were present were, Scot Stromsness Executive Director of Community Services, Rob Grotty, Parks Maintenance Supervisor and Cari Hodges Management Assistant.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. AGENDA ITEMS

4A. Consideration and possible action on the minutes from the Parks Advisory Board regular scheduled meeting held on June 13, 2018.

***MOTION:** Vice Chair, Perry Savard moved to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was second by board member Rose McMillin.*

The motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

4B. Discussion and feedback regarding the Parks Advisory Board June Event.

Chair Kelly Gaydos began by stating that for their first event, it wasn't bad, however she would have liked to have seen more attendance from the community. The citizens that did come provided great comments and feedback.

Board member Troy McMillin asked if port-o-johns would be added back to Glenwood Splashpad the way they previously were. Scot Stromsness Executive Director of Community Services responded that yes, it had been discussed after the event and Cari Hodges Management Assistant confirmed that it had been ordered and was due to be delivered that week.

Vice Chair, Perry Savard stated that he had received requests from the public to add more seating under the covered area. Mr. Stromsness stated this has been notated.

Vice Chair Savard also commented that trees needed to be planted in the parks, perhaps at Arbor Day Event? Mr. Stromsness agreed and used that opportunity to introduce Rob Grotty, the new Parks Maintenance Supervisor, certified arborist and forester. Mr.

Stromsness further explained that Mr. Grotty would be a great source of information for Arbor Day and other park related items.

Chair Gaydos asked the board if having these events was something they would care to continue and board member McMillin stated yes, to continue the events as a group event and on a regular basis in different areas. Chair Gaydos added to do different events, different times a day, different times a year. Vice Chair Savard commented to hold events during Farmers Market on Wednesday nights or National Night Out.

4C. Parks and Recreation updates regarding current and future projects.

Mr. Stromsness stated that "updates" that were previously discussed to be distributed on a weekly basis will be discussed at the monthly meeting, which falls in line with what other boards are doing.

Mr. Stromsness advised that Shane Mize, PARD Director will be starting on July 23rd and Parks Maintenance hired Daniel Fowler as a full time employee and Parks Maintenance has had a full time seasonal employee as well.

Mr. Stromsness also advised that the Hutto Youth Association started football and cheer camp this week and that regular games would start in September. Additionally Mr. Stromsness advised that planning had begun for Get Outdoors Hutto, Treats on East and the Tree Lighting ceremony.

Cari Hodges Management Assistant suggested having Get Outdoors Hutto at Hutto Park at Brushy Creek and moving Treats on East to Fritz Park or at Hutto Park at Brushy Creek. The board thought all of these were good ideas.

4D. Updates regarding the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mr. Stromsness advised the board that we wanted to have a meet and greet with the new PARD director to introduce him to the different sports league and associations.

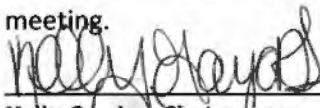
Mr. Stromsness advised the board of what enhancements were being brought forth to City Council for approval and that PARD was seeking to stock and use the concession stand to its fullest capacity.

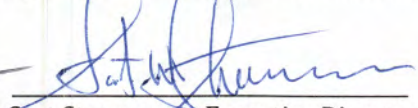
Board member Katie Weiss stated that the City should limit access to Brushy Creek at the new park to prevent accidents.

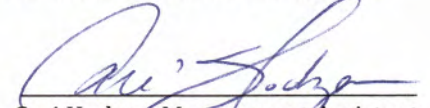
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

I certify that the meeting minutes are official, on the 11th day of July, 2018 at 8:11 PM and will remain available through City of Hutto offices as reference to the business conducted during the meeting.


Kelly Gaydos, Chairperson
Parks Advisory Board


Scot Stromsness, Executive Director
Community Services


Cari Hodges, Management Assistant
Community Services