

City of Bedford Parks and Recreation Board Minutes September 6, 2012

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The Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Bedford met in a regular session at the Old Bedford School Meeting Room on September 6, 2012 with the following in attendance:

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| 1. Alan Batjer | Present | |
| 2. Bill Nichols | Present | |
| 3. Jeannette Cook | Present | |
| 4. Douglas Allbach | Present | |
| 5. Cathy Schneider | Absent | |
| 6. Lisa McMillan | Present | |
| 7. James "Bucky" Geer | Present | Other Staff : |
| 8. Drenda Witt | Absent | Jim Davisson – City Council liaison |
| 9. Linda Flemming | Present | Mirenda McQuagge-Walden - Managing Director of |
| 10. Charles Higginbotham | Present | Community Services |
| 11. Dewey Tennant | Present | Eric Valdez – Recreation Manager |

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Jeannette Cook.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the following Parks and Recreation Board minutes:**
a) August 2, 2012 regular meeting.

A motion was proposed by Charles Higginbotham and seconded by Bill Nichols to approve the August 2, 2012 minutes. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2. Discussion on progress of the Dog Park.**

Dog Park update –

- Snag on Oncor easement to be resolved
 - Next month's city council agenda will include amending Meadow Park Lease.
- Dog Splash Day will be held on September 8, 2012 from 10 am to 2 pm.
- Jeanette Cook will modify verbiage on existing Dog Park flyer to include:
 - "Keep a Dog Park"
 - "I am a Bedford Resident – Yes or No"
 - "I want to be involved in a Friends of Dog Park"
 - Add paw and dog images
- Jeanette Cook will provide the city with the revised flyers and the City will bring the flyers to the event
- Linda Flemming, Charles Higginbotham and Dewey Tennant volunteered to distribute flyers at Dog Splash Day.

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REPORTS

3. Discuss Individual Park assignments:

- a. **Bedford Trails** – Looks good.
- b. **Boys Ranch** – Rink is an eyesore. Discussion about obtaining a sponsor to pay for improvements. Garbage shed by concession sign is in disrepair. Parking lot by Splash has curbs that people hit with cars. Roof on south side of pavilion needs repair. Sign by soccer field is bent. Park itself looks good.
- c. **Brook Hollow** – Weeds by playground
- d. **Carousel** – No report.
- e. **Central** – Large tree branches by picnic table down for a while. Need to blow off walks.
- f. **Harris Ryals** – New asphalt look good. Trees by playground need to be trimmed. Drinking fountain does not work.
- g. **Meadowpark** – Need to have trash picked up on grounds. Left side batter's box needs sand. Concession stand drainage pipe has no cover.
- h. **Monterrey** – Street construction project going on.
- i. **Stormie Jones** – Weeds need to be cut down.

4. Staff updates on recreation programs including Blues and BBQ Festival.

- a) 99% done with pools for the year.
- b) Splash will stay open through September for Aquatics and Water Aerobics. Pool will filter itself after Dog Splash Day.
- c) Day Camp finished. \$200k made – record.
- d) Wrapped up Blues Festival:
 - a. No major problems, except one complaint of loud noise.
 - b. Report to council on the 11th. Moving in the right direction.
 - c. Pit Bosses went smooth. Interviewed Mayor.
 - d. Canadian Pit Master also filmed a documentary
 - e. Competition winners included: 3 Woodys BBQ, Butt First BBQ and Metro Port-a- Pit.

NEXT MEETING

5. The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board will be held on Thursday, October 4, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Charles Higginbotham and seconded by Dewey Tennant to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Jeannette Cook, Chairperson
City of Bedford, Parks & Recreation Board