

**MEETING MINUTES**

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Parks & Recreation Board Members Present:**

Vice Chair Neil Bolton; Kiphani Allen; Awnya Creque; Ex-Officio Shannon Hart; Jacqueline Ivy; Marilyn Little; Oscar Santos; Antione Scott. Late arrival: Rick Cook (7:08 pm)

*L Michelle Terrell*

**Parks & Recreation Board Members Absent:** None

**City Staff Present:**

Parks & Recreation Director Shawn Ray; Parks Superintendent Josh McLerran; Recreation Superintendent Shonda Johnson; Aquatics/Athletics Recreation Coordinator J.T. Nanney; Executive Secretary Karen Tenery

**Others present:** Rodney Thorton; Melissa Tyler

- I. **Call the meeting to order:** Neil Bolton called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm
- II. **Citizens Forum:** Melissa Tyler addressed the board with her concerns regarding programming and amenities for special needs and special ed at facilities within the community and city.
- III. **Review and approve minutes from Parks & Recreation Board meeting held on October 19, 2022:** Awnya Creque made the first motion to approve Marilyn Little seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **Receive Annual Basketball Reports from Cedar Hill All Sports Association:** Shonda Johnson introduced Rodney Thorton and he gave a detailed reports of the status of this season's basketball league.
- V. **Consider approval of Facility Use Agreement Renewals with Cedar Hill Basketball Association:** Shonda Johnson explained to the board that the agreement had no changes from the previous year and the leagues are in good standing with the department. The department recommended the board renew the facility use agreement. Rick Cook made

the first motion to approve Jacqueline Ivy seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**VI. Discuss upcoming Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan:**

Shawn Ray spoke to the board about the upcoming master plan, what is new for us as a city, studies that have been completed, and funds outside of the city that could be utilized. Shawn asked the board for a volunteer committee to participate in the upcoming masterplan preparations.

The board selected the following members to be on a volunteer committee for the new masterplan.

Master Plan committee members:

Neil Bolton, Shannon Hart, Jacqueline Ivy, Oscar Santos, L. Michelle Terrell

**VII. Receive staff reports and updates related to Parks & Recreation programs, events, and projects:**

Shawn Ray welcomed the board back for new year and gave a brief overview of new developments and updated the board on the CIP Summary.

Josh McLerran began with thanking the board for volunteering at Holiday on the Hill and provided updates for Parks & Maintenance-

Updated landscaping on Government center back patio

Ribbon Cutting for Downtown streets Phase 1

A successful MLK Service Day

Proposals for new mowing company have been advertised.

Provided dates for upcoming Parties in the Park

Tree service on Parkerville and Duncanville Rd.

Staff renewing and obtaining Irrigation & Backflow Licensing

Shonda Johnson gave a detailed update on Recreation activities-

AESRC membership drive doubled memberships

New programming during the lunch hour – Yoga & Yogalates

Looking to hire Aquatics staff

SC offering new programs- chair volleyball, coffee talk & dominos

Social media outreach number are climbing rapidly

Upcoming Events:

Feb 11 - Daddy Daughter Dance

Mar 4 – Cedar Hill Block Party

Mar 23 - Party in the Park at Dot Thomas Park

Apr 20 - Party in the Park at Ramsey Park

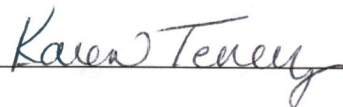
May 4 - Party in the Park at Bear Creek



**VIII. Adjourn:** Neil Bolton adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Signature:  Date: 15 Feb 2023

Rick Cook Parks & Recreation Chairperson

Signature:  Date: Feb. 15 2023

K. Tenery, Parks & Recreation Executive Secretary

**2022 REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS**

Board members	Position	1.19.22	2.16.22	3.16.22	4.20.22	5.18.22	6.15.22	7.20.22	8.17.22	9.21.22	10.19.22	11.16.21	12.21.22
Rick Cook	Chair	P	P	X	P	P	CM	A	P	P	P	CM	CM
Neil Bolton	V-Chair	P	P	X	A	P	CM	P	P	P	P	CM	CM
Kiphani Allen	Board Member	P	P	X	P	P	CM	P	P	P	P	CM	CM
Awnya Creque	Board Member	A	P	X	A	P	CM	P	P	P	A	CM	CM
Shannon Hart	Ex-Officio	P	P	X	P	P	CM	A	P	P	P	CM	CM
Jacqueline Ivy	Board Member	A	P	X	P	P	CM	P	A	P	A	CM	CM
Marilyn Little	Board Member	P	P	X	P	P	CM	P	P	P	P	CM	CM
Oscar Santos	Board Member	A	PL	X	P	P	CM	P	P	P	P	CM	CM
Antoine Scott	Board Member	A	PL	X	A	PL 7:22	CM	P	P	PL 7:17	P	CM	CM
L.Michelle Terrell	Board Member	P	PL	X	PL 7:10	PL 7:18	CM	P	P	P	PL 7:10	CM	CM

**2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS**

Board members	Position	1.18.23	2.15.23	3.15.23	4.19.23	5.17.23	6.21.23	7.19.23	8.16.23	9.20.23	10.18.23	11.15.23	12.20.23
Rick Cook	Chair	PL 7:08											
Neil Bolton	V-Chair	P											
Kiphani Allen	Board Member	P											
Awnya Creque	Board Member	P											
Shannon Hart	Ex-Officio	P											
Jacqueline Ivy	Board Member	P											
Marilyn Little	Board Member	P											
Oscar Santos	Board Member	P											
Antoine Scott	Board Member	P											
L.Michelle Terrell	Board Member	P											

Key: P=Present, PL=Present Late arrival, A=Absent, CM=Cancelled Meeting