

**MEETING MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

Parks & Recreation Board Members Present:

Chair, Rick Cook; Vice Chair, Neil Bolton; Awnya Creque; Jacqueline Ivy; Marilyn Little; Antoine Scott; Ex-Officio Shannon Hart; Ex-Officio Traci Uncel-Martin

Parks & Recreation Board Members Absent: Kiphani Allen, Oscar Santos, L. Michelle Terrell

City Staff Present: Parks & Recreation Director, Shawn Ray; Parks Superintendent, Josh McLerran; Recreation Superintendent, Shonda Johnson; Executive Secretary, Karen Tenery

Others present: None

- I. **Call the meeting to order:** Vice Chair Neil Bolton called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- II. **Swearing in of new or reappointed board members:**
Karen Tenery swore in the following new and reappointed board members.
New member: Traci Uncel-Martin.
Reappointed members:
Rick Cook, Awnya Creque, Shannon Hart, Marilyn Little, Antoine Scott,
- III. **Review and approve minutes from Parks & Recreation Board meeting held on May 17, 2023:**
Neil Bolton made the first motion to approve, Shannon Hart seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **Citizens Forum:** None
- V. **Discuss and consider annual elections of Parks & Recreation board:**
Marilyn Little nominated Rick Cook for Chair, and Antoine Scott nominated Neil Bolton for Vice Chair. No objections were made, and board nominations passed unanimously.
- VI. **Consider appointing members to the Tree Care Advisory Committee:** The board came to an agreement to appoint the following members to the Tree Care Advisory Committee.
Jacqueline Ivy, Shannon Hart, Marilyn Little, Traci Uncel-Martin, Neil Bolton.

VII. Receive Library in the Park naming update:

Shawn Ray gave a presentation to the board concerning the naming of the Library in the Park, providing details of the name, placement, and size of the signage.

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

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

Josh McLerran gave a brief update to the board regarding Parks & Maintenance.

Shonda Johnson gave a brief update to the board regarding Recreation and activities.

Upcoming Events:

July – Parks & Recreation month

Aug. 2 – Library Tour (Tours 1st Wednesday of each month)

Aug. 19 – Back to School Dance

Aug. 23 – Senior Information & Wellness Expo

IX. Adjourn: Rick Cook adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

Board members	Position	TermExp	1.18.23	2.15.23	3.15.23	4.19.23	5.17.23	6.21.23	7.19.23
Rick Cook	Chair	May-25	PL 7:08	P	P	A	P	CM	P
Neil Bolton	V-Chair	May-24	P	P	P	P	P	CM	P
Kliphani Allen	Board Member	May-24	P	P	A	A	P	CM	A
Awnya Creque	Board Member	May-25	P	P	A	P	A	CM	P
Jacqueline Ivy	Board Member	May-24	P	P	P	A	A	CM	P
Marilyn Little	Board Member	May-25	P	P	P	P	P	CM	P
Oscar Santos	Board Member	May-24	P	P	A	P	P	CM	A
Antoine Scott	Board Member	May-25	P	P	P	A	P	CM	P
L.Michelle Terrell	Board Member	May-25	P	P	P	P	P	CM	A
Shannon Hart	Ex-Officio	May-25	P	P	P	P	P	CM	P
Traci Uncel-Martin	Ex-Officio	May-24							P

Signature:  Date: 16 Aug 2023

Rick Cook, Parks & Recreation Chair

Signature:  Date: 8.16. 2023

K. Tenery, Parks & Recreation Executive Assistant