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APPROVED

The Bedford Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session at the Old Bedford Library Location on the 1st of August with the following members present:

Doug Allbach Sam Fairchild Cathy Schneider Donna Hanson
Randy Newby Laron Street Wendy Watson Donna Williams

Constituting a quorum.

Bryan Burgess, Elvera Henderson, and Maggie Jones were absent.

City Council/Staff Representatives:
Don Henderson – Parks Superintendent
Recreation Manager – Brian TenEyck

Rusty Sartor - City Council Liaison was absent

CALL TO ORDER

Randy Newby, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the following Parks and Recreation Board minutes:

a) June 6, 2019 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Wendy Watson to approve the minutes as written. Donna Williams seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Introduction of new Recreation Manager, Brian TenEyck.

Brian introduced himself to the group

3. Election of officer for the open Secretary Position.

Nominations were opened, and Wendy Watson nominated Laron Street. No other nominations were submitted. A vote was taken, and Laron was unanimously approved for Secretary.

4. Reminder to those who need to renew their place on the Board, appointments expire on September 30, 2019.

Don passed around a sheet with names of those whose terms were expiring and asked everyone to sign and indicate if they would be returning. Wendy Watson has decided NOT to renew her term. Elvera Henderson also let Randy Newby know she was resigning her position.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Discussion and possible action on Dog Park and other projects.

Discussion was made about sending out a survey through SurveyMonkey or similar in order to get public feedback. It was decided that we as a board needed to come up with a few ideas, and ask which ideas are desired most. This will prevent an open-ended discussion, where anything can be requested.

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Ideas that were agreed upon were:

- a. Basketball court
- b. Covered picnic tables
- c. A skatepark
- d. Swing sets at Brook Hollow Park
- e. Workout equipment

6. Status update from the Friends of Bedford Parks Foundation.

Wendy Watson shared that the foundation has received its first contribution. American Airlines has given a check for \$934 for Wendy's volunteer work. She mentioned North Texas Giving Day coming up on September 16th. The foundation will have a booth at Blues Fest, hopefully to be set up next to the Parks Board tent. The foundation will be presenting to council in the coming months. The website will be finalized soon.

REPORTS

7. Discuss individual park assignments:

- a) **Bedford Trails Linear Park** -- Looks good
- b) **Boys Ranch Park** -- looks good, good lighting (replaced under warranty)
- c) **Brook Hollow Park** – New sidewalk is in, and park looks good.
- d) **Carousel Park** – Looks good, but Donna noticed the park lights were on at 4:00 PM the other day
- e) **Central Park** – Donna mentioned there was a picnic table that had been dragged onto tree roots, but the park looked good overall.
- f) **Dewey Tennant Park** – New sidewalk is in, and it looks good
- g) **Harris Ryals Park** – Looks good
- h) **Meadowpark Athletic Complex** – looks good
- i) **Stormie Jones Park** – New sidewalk is in, and looks good

8. Staff updates: a. Parks

Don discussed the new sidewalks in the parks. He discussed lighting, and that it is part of his 5 year plan due to expense. Phase II will include new signs for the parks to help upgrade the looks.

b. Recreation / Aquatics / Senior Center

Brian discussed the events that have gone well this summer. Yappy Hour and Flicks with Fido went really well. Summer Camp was full and went extremely well. Cabana rentals are full for the Summer. The Roy Savage Pool renovations went really well, and it looks great.

NEXT MEETING

9. The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board will be September 5, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business Donna Hanson made a motion to adjourn, Wendy Watson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:23.

Randy Newby, Chairperson