



## **Park Advisory Board Meeting Minutes February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

### **Call to order**

The recent Park Advisory Board Meeting was held at the Belle Johnston Community Center on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Clay Perry and seconded by Tad Hardy.

### **Attendees**

Kristy Detwiler (staff)  
Erin Hamilton (staff)  
Jordan Williams (staff)  
Clay Perry (chair)  
Tad Hardy  
Sue Bankston  
Barbara Manning  
Randy Brantley  
Stacy Shatterly  
Yvette Issacs

### **Approval of minutes**

Randy Brantley made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 meeting. Motion approved and seconded by Tad, ayes by all.

**Staff Updates** – Kristy Detwiler, Parks and Recreation Director gave an update on the following:

- **Events Update:**
  - o Senior Valentines Banquet was on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Jeff Whittington was the entertainment. He was fantastic and a crowd pleaser with his songs and instruments. We had about 140-145 people attend, so not too many no shows.
- **Upcoming Events:**
  - o Down to Earth Play: Feb 21-23 & Feb 28-Mar 1
  - o Easter Egg Hunt: 4/3
  - o Paws in the Park: 4/4
  - o Sheltra Race 10k/5K: 4/25
- **New Event:** We will hold the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Doggies Egg Hunt April 5<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. We will fill plastic eggs with dog treats. Golden eggs will have special prizes like collapsible bowls. The dog owners will keep on leash and dog will go up to egg and owner will pick up the egg.
  - o We have a new sponsor for the dog park: Pet Suites is a \$500 sponsorship. Black Dog is already a \$500 sponsor.

- **Playground Update:** Kristy ordered new inclusive playground equipment on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Council approved the new playground in the February council meeting.
- **Master Plan Community Meetings:** There will be two meetings held at the Hut on March 11<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>. They will both be drop in style from 6pm-8pm. We have already met with Kimley Horn once and they have been out to do a park walk through. Kimley Horn has been very involved and great to work with. They are working on the survey that will be sent out to the public. We will ask the park board to send to all your HOAS. We will make flyers for the community meetings to be sent out to the HOAs as well.
- **Parcels for Sale:** The town is looking into buying land for more parks. This will be discussed at the community meetings. These parcels could be used for pocket parks. There is a lot for sale off Dorman road that a playground could be put on. We would like to have a connection from Jack Hughes to the McCullough neighborhood so that land in between could be purchased.
- **Approve/Vote on Park Maintenance Plan:** The board was emailed a draft of Park Maintenance Plan a few weeks prior to the board meeting to review and suggest any changes. Kristy wants this to go before council in the March council meeting. Several members had some formatting changes that need to be made. Tad made changes on a copy of the document to give us to make changes. Some wording of a few things needs to be changed for clarity. There is a lot of discussion about repetitiveness through the document. Some pages could be condensed.
  - **EVERYONE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE PARK MAINTENANCE PLAN WITH THE CHANGES DISCUSSED**

#### Advisory Board Discussion

- Kristy passed around a catalog showing mile markers she is thinking about getting to go around the lake to mark the distance. We get a lot of calls about how long is it around the lake. Should we do .25 mile and .5 mile or maybe .2, .4, and .6 since one lap is .6 mile? Tad also brought up just having a sign that says 1 lap = .6 mile in several places around the loop.
- Randy asked when the splash pad opens: Memorial Day to Labor Day
- Kristy passed around some of the swag we will give out at the community meetings. Coozies, sweat rags, and blankets.

Adjourn – Randy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Barbara seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.