

**PARKS BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
January 15, 2008**

Present: Soledad Najera, T. A. Lopez, Lupe Alvarez, Lee Taylor, Rali Blomstedt, Carol Buttler, Assistant City Manager; Felipe Sandoval, Parks & Grounds Manager; Nufie Rodriguez, Recreation Director, Abby DeLeon, Assistant Recreation Director, Yolanda C. Benitez, City Secretary.

Absent: Terry Teague and Bill Grimes.

1. Call to order:

Vice Chair Najera called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Approval of December 18, 2007 Minutes:

Motion was made by Mr. Lopez to approve the minutes with additions. The motion was seconded by Ms. Taylor. Motion carried with all Ayes.

Ms. Najera asked about the minutes for the Recreation Advisory Board and whether they are meeting or not. Ms. Buttler stated that they are not, and Mr. Grimes confirmed they have not been having any meetings.

3. Introduce member Rali Blomstedt:

Ms. Najera introduced Ms. Blomstedt to the board members. Ms. Blomstedt provided brief background information.

4. Status report:

Nature Trail Park:

Ms. Buttler reported that Margaret Hardin met with Will Van Weese, Texas Parks & Wildlife Representative, at which time they went over the Nature Trail Park documents submitted by the City. TP&W will be sending an official letter to the City. Ms. Buttler stated that more information is needed regarding materials and signage.

Ms. Najera stated that she has information regarding signs and will give it to Mr. Denton. She also informed the board about an upcoming tour to La Cantera and invited the board members.

Other issues discussed:

- Tentative approval of drip irrigation
- Larry Arcos, Electric Superintendent will be in charge of all electrical issues
- Gilbert Garza, Water Superintendent will be in charge of all water issues
- Layout of permanent sign needed by Texas Parks & Wildlife
- Airport Manager will get with FAA regarding the Nature Trail project
- Trail project documents sent to ADA for their review
- Ms. Najera stated that a Vulcan Materials representative is willing to meet regarding the

- project.
- Ms. Buttler will find out what materials will be allowed by the Texas Parks & Wildlife for the project.
- Number of restrooms for the project site and obtaining them from Crane Plumbing before they shut down.

Sports Complex:

Mr. Rodriguez passed out booklets showing photos of the work in progress. He provided an overview of the information contained in the booklets. Mr. Rodriguez also spoke with regard to the restroom facilities for the soccer fields. Ms. Najera asked for more details about the price plus to have restrooms to serve the soccer field and sports complex.

5. Discuss and consider Alcohol Ordinance –Sports Complex vs. T. A. Lopez Park:

The board discussed this item, accepted it the way it was written, and directed staff to present it to the City Council for their review and approval.

Motion was made by Ms. Taylor to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lopez. Motion carried with all Ayes.

6. Comments from Public:

Mr. Lopez asked when the Pavilion at the T.A. Lopez Park would be discussed. Ms. Najera informed him that it will be on the next agenda.

7. Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alvarez and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 17th DAY OF JUNE, 2008.

TERRY TEAGUE, CHAIRMAN