

A G E N D A

A regular meeting of the City of Waxahachie Park Board to be held on *Thursday, November 7, 2019* at *3:00 p.m.* in the City Council Conference Room, 401 South Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas.

Members: Chad Hicks, Chairman
Ginger Cole, Vice Chairman
William Major
Betsy Bell
Byron Gibson
Jenny Bridges

1. Call to Order
2. ***Public Comments:*** Persons may address the Park Board on any issues. This is the appropriate time for citizens to address the Board on any concern whether on this agenda or not. In accordance with the State of Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board may not comment or deliberate such statements during this period, except as authorized by Section 551.042, Texas Government Code.
3. Approval of Minutes of the Park Board meeting of October 3, 2019
4. Discuss Park activities and take any necessary action
5. Discuss Park projects and lake park improvements and take any necessary action
6. Adjourn

The Park Board reserves the right to go into Executive Session on any posted item.

This meeting location is wheelchair-accessible. Parking for mobility impaired persons is available. Any request for sign interpretive services must be made forty-eight hours ahead of the meeting. To make arrangements, call the City Secretary at (469) 309-4005 or (TDD) 1-800-RELAY TX

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Notice of Potential Quorum</i> <i>One or more members of the Waxahachie City Council may be present at this meeting.</i> <i>No action will be taken by the City Council at this meeting.</i></p>

Park Board
October 3, 2019

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Members Present: Chad Hicks, Chairman
Ginger Cole, Vice Chairman
William Major
Byron Gibson
Jenny Bridges

Member Absent: Betsy Bell

Others Present: John Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation
Lori Cartwright, City Secretary
Melissa Olson, Council Representative

1. Call to Order

Chairman Chad Hicks called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Re-organize the Board

Action:

Mr. William Major moved to nominate Chad Hicks as Chairman. Ms. Ginger Cole seconded, All Ayes.

Mr. William Major moved to nominate Ginger Cole as Vice Chairman. Mr. Byron Gibson seconded, All Ayes.

4. Approval of Minutes of the Park Board meeting of August 1, 2019

Action:

Vice Chairman Ginger Cole moved to approve the minutes of the Park Board meeting of August 1, 2019. Mr. Byron Gibson seconded, All Ayes.

5. Discuss Park activities and take any necessary action

Parks and Recreation Director John Smith reviewed the following Park activities:

- C10's in the Park event had 1,003 pickups registered and over 900 pickups participated. Mayor David Hill stated some participants were from Japan. He stated high-end vendors were represented and noted it is one of the best shows they have attended.
- The Chautauqua opening ceremony was September 28th and had very good speakers. Mr. Smith noted Dale Hansen was a speaker but attendance was low.

- Eagle Scout projects are underway with scouts building planter boxes, a sensory board for challenged children, Bird Houses and refresh of the Dog Park. Life School will do a litter patrol starting in Getzendaner Park and go downtown.
- Ellis County Hispanic organization recently held a successful event at Singleton Plaza.
- Oddfest event will be held October 5, 2019 in Singleton Plaza.
- The Chautauqua in Getzendaner Park will host the play "Beauty and the Beast".
- The Waxahachie Symphony will have an event at the Chautauqua on October 12, 2019.
- The Ellis County Youth organization is using Penn Park to play football on the new fields.

6. Discuss Park projects and take any necessary action

- Mr. Smith stated Little Creek Trail 2 mile trail is nearing completion. Pavilions are in and installation will occur soon. He announced the exercise station foundation is poured and exercise equipment will be installed soon. He stated the crew is currently working on the stretch between Brown Street and Brown Singleton Park and working on the decorative nose that are sidewalk connections and will receive the covered benches soon. Mr. Smith stated the crew is ahead of schedule. He stated once completed a grand opening will be announced.
- Mr. Smith announced he attended National Night Out on Brown Street. He stated the neighbors are very excited that there are some connections to the Little Creek Trail.
- Mr. Smith reported the drainage project in Getzendaner Park is complete and sections of the Hike and Bike Trail are still under review.
- Assistant City Manager Albert Lawrence reported the Railyard Park completion date is Mid-November. He stated they will have a soft opening with a grand opening in late March 2020. Bookings will go through the Cultural Arts & Program Manager, Kelly Skistimas, who is under the Convention and Bureau Department. He stated Ms. Skistimas has a Railyard Park facebook and twitter account. She has a domain reserved for the website and has a logo. Assistant City Manager Lawrence stated Ms. Skistimas will have a vehicle issued to her and it will be wrapped in advertisement. Mr. Smith stated the only role of the Park Department is to assist Ms. Skistimas during events.
- Mr. Smith referenced the softball field in Penn Park noting part of the next phase is irrigation on large softball field and will get a final walk through on it then will add grass and it will be ready to play.
- Mr. Smith stated the Community Theater at the Chautauqua has had improvements and will be able to book events.
- Spring Park is almost complete and staff is working on a landscape plan. The Texas Department of Wildlife donated a large sign for the boat ramp. Chairman Hicks suggested a tree made of pvc pipe be made to hang donated life jackets on. He stated the bass fishing organization is very impressed with the new Park.

- Mr. Smith stated six (6) electrical poles will be installed at Getzendaner Park for people's electrical use. He stated electric poles as well as lighting will be installed at the Oak Lawn Pavilion.
- Mr. Smith stated plants will be installed to the back of Matthew's Park in the dry bank area.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Cartwright
City Secretary