

Special Meeting of the Cameron Park Board

January 23, 2014

6:00 pm

Cameron City Hall

Members Present:

Chairman Bill Gimson

Al Briggs

Jennifer Helmich

Jason Jones

Carrie Sybert

Michael Teegarden – arrived 6:25pm

Kari Teel

Members Absent:

Matt Jameson

Jamey McVicker

Others Attending:

Drew Bontrager – Public Works Director

Chris Johnson, Cameron Newspaper

Steve Garr – Parks Director

Chairman Gimson called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Approval of December 5, 2013 and December 16, 2013 Minutes

Ms. Helmich made a motion to approve minutes of the December 5, 2013 and December 16, 2013 meetings; seconded by Ms. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

Public Participation

None

Treasurer's Report

No comment

Director/Foreman's Report

Mr. Bontrager stated that he has received the renewal for Lawns Unlimited to provide lawn care for the Soccer Complex and McCorkle Park for 2014. The cost will be \$3,623.92 for the Soccer Complex and \$1,801.14 for McCorkle Park.

Mr. Bontrager will renew the contract.

Old Business

Veterans Memorial Field #4 Resolution

Mr. Bontrager reported that the resolution for Field #4 was finalized. City Council approved the resolution and the school published in the newspaper that it will be on the April ballot.

Economic Sales Tax Proposal

City Council has completed the second reading on the Economic Sales Tax proposal. So far, the readings have passed 4-1.

Old Band Shell

Ann Clark has contacted a few Board members regarding the Old Band Shell located near the swimming pool. Ms. Clark has expressed interest in possibly using it for the City Band and would like to talk to the Board.

Ms. Clark will be added to the February agenda.

Chairman Gimson questioned how the new pool design would affect the band shell.

Mr. Garr stated that the new design should not affect the structure.

New Business

2014 Aquatic Facility Management

Mary Jo Eiberger and the YMCA have expressed their intent in managing the aquatic facility for the 2014 swim season.

Ms. Eiberger made a couple comments/suggestions on the pool contract.

Item 6: The pool was not open on Labor Day 2013 and they are requesting that the pool is not open on Labor Day in 2014. Staffing was difficult on that weekend as college kids have gone back to school and workers have family events. They would also like to add a statement that the pool will be open on weekends IF the YMCA is able to adequately staff the pool.

Item 7: The YMCA is requesting that an additional fee of \$25 per person is added to the family pool pass for any family member over the limit of 4. They are also asking the Board to look at the price of pool parties and possibly raising the price because of the increase in minimum wage.

Ms. Teel stated that the pool should stay open on weekends until Labor Day; The revenues and attendance numbers from 2013 show that there was a good response to the pool staying open. A majority of the Board agrees that the pool should stay open.

The Board will get with Ms. Eiberger about pool party and staffing costs.

After discussion, the Board decided that they do not want to change the terms in Item 6 of the contract.

The Board was in agreement with raising the price on family pool passes and discussing the cost of pool parties.

The Board would like the YMCA to give them a recommended increase/cost for pool parties.

NPRA Conference

Mr. Jones and Mr. McVicker have discussed traveling to the MPRA Conference in February to attend classes specific to park and sports recreation.

Mr. Garr will be attending the entire conference.

Mr. Jones stated that Mr. McVicker and himself are willing to pay the fees out of pocket if necessary.

Mr. Gimson moved that the Parks Department will cover hotel and registration expenses for Park Board members that attend the MPRA conference; seconded by Ms. Briggs. *On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 7, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 2.*

Miscellaneous

None

Adjourn

Chairman Gimson entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Ms. Briggs and seconded by Ms. Sybert. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 7, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 2.

The next scheduled meeting of the Park Board will be at 6:00 on March 6, 2014 at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:31 pm.

*Chris O'Donnell
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Bill Gimson
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