

Cameron Park Board Meeting

July 28 2016

6:00 pm

Cameron City Hall

Members Present:

Chairman – Cory Brown
Al Briggs
Wendy Copple
Ruth Hammontree
Jennifer Helmich
Richard Whalen

Members Absent:

Bill Gimson
Jason Jones
Carrie Sybert

Others Attending:

Drew Bontrager – Public Works Director
Wally Gallium – Cameron Newspaper

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Approval of June 23, 2016 Minutes

A quorum from the June 23, 2016 meeting was not present to approve the minutes. The June 23, 2016 minutes will be placed on the August agenda for approval.

Public Participation

Eagle Scout Project

Jeffrey Funchess re-presented his proposal to the Board to place “how to” signs at the exercise stations around the Circuit. The signs will be aluminum and will have an anti-graffiti film placed over them so any graffiti can easily be wiped off. All of the signs will be double sided and in full color.

The signs will show users of the equipment how to properly complete the exercises.

Mr. Funchess stated that he has spoken with the Parks department and the poles and brackets will be provided by the City/Parks Department.

The Board commended Mr. Funchess on his proposal and presentation and expressed their appreciation in the hard work that has been completed.

Mr. Whalen made a motion to approve the Eagle Scout Project to place signs at the exercise equipment stations around the Circuit; seconded by Ms. Helmich. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

Treasurer's Report

No comment.

Director/Foreman's Report

Mr. Bontrager stated that Passion Church will be hosting a Back to School Splash in McCorkle Park on July 30, 2016. A majority of the activities are water based. The Church met all of the City's requirements for the event, including insurance. The City discussed with the Church's contact, Lonnie Hardy, that Passion Church will be responsible for all damage including turf damage. Lawns Unlimited will be utilized for any repairs that are needed at the conclusion of the event.

Old Business

A: Funding Options for New/Renovated Aquatic Center & Ball Fields

The City Manager has been in contact with Bill Gimson. Mr. Gimson should have an update for the Board at the August meeting.

New Business

A: Aquatic Facility Water Slide Inspection & Recommendations

The final inspection report was received from the fiberglass specialist, Solid Waterslide, LLC., for the water slide. Recommendations for repairs were given in three ascending levels, Solid Waterslide, LLC recommended the middle recommendation; however, if funding of a new facility does not happen, they recommend that repairs be completed at the top level. Levels of repairs are as follows:

1. \$4,620: Repair of cracks, chips and seams of the interior slide surface;
2. \$7,920: Interior repairs as above plus recaulk slide seams, buff and wax & exterior slide surface crack repairs;
3. \$15,708: Interior/Exterior repairs as above plus recoat the rusted areas of the stair tower and install new non-skid tape on the treads and landings

Mr. Bontrager stated that he does not anticipate any additional costs above the quotes given by Solid Waterslide, LLC.

Mr. Bontrager stated that there have been no reports of "bumps" this year; however, there have been complaints in years past.

Chairman Brown stated that he feels responsible to at least complete the first recommendation of repairs at \$4,620.

Ms. Hammontree made a motion to complete repairs to the water slide at the bid given for \$4,620 to repair the interior slide surface; seconded by Ms. Copple.

Ms. Helmich stated that she would rather complete repairs at the second level for \$7,920 as this was the recommended repair by Solid Waterslide, LLC.

Ms. Briggs stated that this "fix" was just a band aid and not a solution.

On voice vote the motion fails as follows: ayes – 1, nays – 5, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

Mr. Whalen stated that he would like to table the discussion until the August meeting so more thought can be put into the issue.

The Board agreed to table this discussion until August.

B: Park Valley Restroom Renovation Plan

The final plans for the Park Valley Restroom were provided to the Board for approval. Once the plans are approved and bids accepted, Mr. Bontrager plans to have a fall construction for the new facility.

After review, the Board approved the plans for the new facility.

Mr. Bontrager will send out the plans for bids.

C: 2016-2017 Budget

The revised budget was presented to the Board. Since the July meeting, the following items have been added:

1. \$20,000 – Master Plan for the Parks
2. \$16,000 – Fenced in Dog Park

Ms. Copple stated that the budgeted cost for a dog park seemed a little high for a starting point.

Mr. Brown stated that this is only a budget item and the actual cost for the dog park can be discussed at a later time.

3. \$10,000 – Sidewalk Improvements

Mr. Bontrager stated that the City hopes to work with the School District to place a new sidewalk along Park Avenue.

Mr. Whalen asked when the budget would be finalized.

Mr. Bontrager stated that the City will finalize the budget in September which includes the Parks budget.

Ms. Hammontree asked about adding more lighting around the perimeter of Recreation Park sometime in the future as it is dark in the evenings and mornings.

Mr. Bontrager stated that he would look into the issue.

Ms. Helmich made a motion to approve the proposed budget for FY 2016-2017 including the master plan and the dog park; seconded by Ms. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

Mr. Bontrager will submit the proposed parks budget to City Council and have more information at the August meeting.

D: Committee Report – Agreement School District Use of City Fields

Chairman Brown stated that Mr. Garr has presented his ideas of responsibility for the fields of the School District and Parks Department. The committee has reviewed the ideas and will work on coming up with a plan.

The committee hopes to have a plan ready to present to the Board at the August meeting.

Miscellaneous

Vandalism

The Board asked for an update on vandalism that has been happening at the different parks. Mr. Bontrager stated that he did not have anything to report at this time but will follow up on the issue.

Lights at Recreation Park

Mr. Bontrager state that a key was given to the Chamber for the 4th of July and they were shown how to shut off the lights during the fireworks display.

Night Disc Golf

Questions have been asked about hosting a night disc golf game. John Fieghert stated that Nate Stock has been informed that the Board has given their blessing for holding an event and the Disc Golf "team" is working on a plan.

Other

John Fieghert asked if the swim team contributes to the Aquatic Facility.

Chairman Brown stated that the swim team pays for expenses and lifeguards during practices and events.

Adjourn

Ms. Hammontree made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

The next scheduled meeting of the Park Board will be at 6:00 on August 25, 2016 at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:52 pm.

*Chris Martin
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*Bill Gummer
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