

Park Board Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting of January 12, 2022

PLACE	NAME	P/A	PLACE	NAME	P/A
1	Angela Lewallen	P	6	*Blake Wyne	P
2	Rich Oropeza	A	7	*Michael Pope	P
3	Chery Brennan	P	8	Jim Domer	P
4	Chris Crawford	P	9	Elaine Borchardt	P
5	Julia Sykes	P			

A. Call Meeting to Order and Announce Quorum is Present:

The January Park Board Meeting was called to order by Michael Pope, Park Board Chair at 6:08 p.m.

B. Visitors:

Jose Marines, Intern  
Gina McGrath, Assistant City Manager  
Jonathon Ward, Crew Leader

C. Approval of Park Board Minutes:

Elaine Borchardt motioned to approve the Park Board Minutes of the December 8, 2021, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Chery Brennan and the vote was unanimous.

D. New business:

a. Wildflower and Native Grass Meadows Update – Michael Kim, Park Operations and Development Manager

Mike Pope, is there any way of measuring success of getting the butterflies and bees into the space? Is there something we do to measure it? Chris Chastain, anecdotally we see it and we know it is working but as far as hard numbers, no we don't track that. We track the acreage and plant life but not the species that migrate through. Blake Wyne, slide 17 is talking about engaging private homeowners. That is the top thing we can do to get the word out and market it. I like the way station because it goes a long way for young children or kids and with LISD I think that is a good start. Mike Pope, wasn't there a program where we were distributing milkweed? Stacie Anaya, I think KLB was doing that. Jonathon Ward, almost 1000 plugs of milkweed we planted in our parks. Mike Pope, I just remember a push to grow them in our yards. Stacie Anaya, we have done it happenstance but now we are looking at coordinated effort, so it is sustainable and adding to it year after year. Mike Pope, as Jonathon knows I am interested in the bees and bring them back

b. CAPRA – Chris Chastain, Preserve and Greenbelt Manager and Hilary Boen, Recreation Manager

Elaine Borchardt, this is in addition to your normal day to day? Stacie Anaya, this is what we should be doing in pursuit of excellence anyway. We are trying to not add

anything to our plate just putting a spotlight on what is already there. Mike Pope, excellent I hope you keep us updated and meet all the standards.

c. It's Time Texas – Erika Tang, Thrive Manager

Jim Domer, how did we do last year? Stacie Anaya, we didn't have a great year last year, we didn't perform as well as we have. Mike Pope, we are already 10 days behind to get started, get your gear in place!

Reports:

- a. Director's Report - written.
- b. Recreation Manger's Report – written.
- c. Preserve and Greenbelt Manager's Report – written.
- d. Thrive Manager's Report – written.
- e. Park Operations and Development Manger's Report – written.
- f. Volunteer Opportunities – written.

E. Round Table:


- Angela Lewallen – Regarding the fishing barge for subleasing, are they responsible for keeping up with it? Stacie Anaya, yes every year we do an inspection with the Corp. and they have been given notice for having to improve it. We are trying to work with them to get them back open, but we delivered a notice that we are not automatically renewing their lease. They need certain things in terms with working with an engineer and professional electrician. That is where we are at right now. Regarding Castle Hills parks, what kind of communication are we having with them? When they see demo are we in touch with them? Stacie Anaya, we go through Nextdoor and let people know what is going on and with Castle Hills they have a group of ambassadors, we notify them, and they spread the word. We also have a Facebook page that has been put out.
- Rich Oropeza – n/a
- Chery Brennan – no comment.
- Chris Crawford – I used to see hummingbirds present regularly around my house but over the past three years, they have disappeared. There's an issue with construction and proving food and water. Are there any plans with addressing either of those things? Stacie Anaya, I think efforts that we are making with the Monarch Pledge that is going to help create a habitat that helps hummingbirds as well. Chris Crawford, one of the issues is providing safe nesting and things like the prairies are great but they don't provide anywhere to hide. Stacie Anaya, the urban tree canopy will help.
- Julia Sykes – no comment.
- Blake Wyne – How did trout stocking go? Chris Chastain, it went okay. We allowed fishing all week. Next stocking is February 8, and we will do the same thing, allow fishing through the week.
- Michael Pope – Stacie you have a very busy week planned for February 8-10, what sort of participation other than regular park board meeting are you looking for from us regarding the Healthy Infrastructure Plan. Stacie Anaya, we know that y'all are busy. If you want to join for any or every, you are welcome to except the staff meeting, we want them to open up. Mike Pope, how are we getting people into the meeting? Stacie Anaya, we had a meeting with Halff for what the marking and branding will look like. Flyers are going to be produced in the next five days and targeted distribution in the next two

weeks, specifically people we want to come to the meeting like our partners. PARD will start broadcasting the news with social media. Surveys will be available that our Play Lewisville on Wheels team will be doing through the spring.

- Jim Domer – no comment.
- Elaine Borchardt – no comment.

H. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Elaine Borchardt to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m., was seconded by Julia Sykes and the vote was unanimous.

  
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of Stacie Anaya, Director

  
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Michael Pope, Chair

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Chestain  
was here