

Park Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting of February 9, 2022

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

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

The February Park Board Meeting was called to order by Michael Pope, Park Board Chair at 6:00 p.m.

B. Visitors: Bill Franz

C. Approval of Park Board Minutes:

Julia Sykes motioned to approve the Park Board Minutes of the January 12, 2022, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Elaine Borhardt and the vote was unanimous.

D. New business:

a. Introduction of City Manager, Claire Powell

b. Healthy Infrastructure Plan

Lenny Hughes, Halff Associates, presented on the Lewisville Healthy Infrastructure Plan, Explore More. The following questions were posed to the Park Board.

What does a healthy community mean to you? Active, accessibility for everyone, everyone able to grow and be the best that they can be, getting outside (trails, biking, boating, fishing), inclusive, diverse, welcoming, variety, fun, relaxed, safe, sense of belonging and feeling heard/respected.

What is the biggest challenge Lewisville faces related to parks, recreation, trails open space, and tree canopy? Explosion of growth/population, land availability, funding/money, knowledge/marketing of what's going on (awareness), amount of multifamily development, getting people to try things, heat, commercial development, more natural areas, users to take on ownership, maintain it, pride.

What have you seen in other communities/parks that you want to see in Lewisville? Accessibility, safety, exercise equipment, rentable bikes, bike friendly, enormous variety in the park like the arboretum, more trees, tree programs with LISD and other corporations, trails connecting one park to another, safe, maintain what we do have and add in signage, water park, signage about wildlife, cabins at Lake Park.

What three things would you like to see this plan accomplish? More trees, trails, and to utilize what we actually do have, communication, maintain, growing with the community, listening to the needs, whatever stage you are in life you have somewhere to go, awareness of biking and walking because that's what Lewisville does, mental and physical wellbeing is measurably better, reduction in vehicle use, residents see

the value of greenspace, extending the tree canopy, putting Lewisville on the map, community where people can meet, fully connected trail system, community engagement, more natural areas in residential neighborhoods, sense of ownership, incorporate sustainability, varied activities, sustainable for decades to come.

E. Report:

- 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.

F. Round Table:

- Angela Lewallen –
- Rich Oropeza –
- Chery Brennan –
- Chris Crawford –
- Julia Sykes –
- Blake Wyne –
- Michael Pope –
- Jim Domer –
- Elaine Borchardt –

H. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Chery Brennan to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m., was seconded by Blake Wyne and the vote was unanimous.



Stacie Anaya, Director



Michael Pope, Chair