

**Park Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting of August 9, 2023**

PLACE	NAME	P/A	PLACE	NAME	P/A
1	Angela Lewallen	P	6	*Blake Wyne	A
2	Elizabeth Flores	P	7	John Brooks	P
3	Chery Brennan	P	8	*Jim Domer	P
4	Chris Crawford	A	9	Elaine Borchardt	P
5	Julia Sykes	P			

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

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

B. Visitors: 0

C. Approval of Park Board Minutes:

Elaine Borchardt motioned to approve the Park Board Minutes of the July 12, 2023, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Jim Domer and the vote was unanimous.

D. New business:

- a. Election of Park Board Officers for 2023-2024 – Stacie Anaya
 - Elaine Borchardt Motioned to approve Park Board Officers; Blake Wyne as Chair and Jim Domer as vice-chair was seconded by Chery Brennan.
- b. Nature Center Charrette Summary – Chris Chastain

E. Report:

- a. Director’s Report - written.
- b. Preserve and Greenbelt Manager’s Report – written.
- c. Programs Manager’s Report – written.
- d. Park Operations and Development Manger’s Report – written.
- e. CIP Coordinator Report – written.
- f. Volunteer Opportunities – written.

F. Round Table:

- Angela Lewallen – How much of LISDOLA’s footprint/concept are we using?
Stacie: We will use elements and concepts of LISDOLA to our advantage, learn their pros and cons.
-Is the entrance on the west end of LLELA adequate considering potential future East end expansion of LLELA?
Stacie: Visitors will still need to drive into LLELA through the Toll Booth for Recreational Purposes; From an Environmental and Sustainability perspective, this site is optimal for its current state and previous USACE use. In addition, near this site exists

a Park Desert; where if a playground is included in the nature center it will serve that Park Desert and give them access to LLELA.

- Elizabeth Flores – What is the main goal of the nature center?

Chris: It is in the City's core values; Green Centerpiece, Extending the Green, giving opportunities for the community to ease into nature if they are new to outdoor activities.

-Concerned that this area is not accessible to all of Lewisville, might not receive enough visitors.

Stacie: It is next to Lewisville's Green Centerpiece the 2,600 nature preserve that has three ecosystems. Every 7th grader from LISD will visit the nature center, in addition to Master naturalists, UNT and many other organizations.

-Updates on the Splashpad?

Stacie: We have solved some pinch points, the new UV system model is very sensitive and has also caused issues across other cities in the DFW, it will be a couple of weeks until we fully understand the full problem but it is not catastrophic.

- Chery Brennan – The nature center is a great site for area revitalization and general improvement.
- Chris Crawford –
- Julia Sykes – Ecotourism is a great opportunity for the city to bring in revenue for other potential projects.

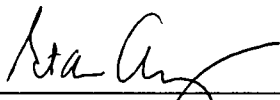
Jose's mind- "So money can grow on trees."

-It is also an opportunity for an increase in accessibility for people that might not be able to go into LLELA.

- Blake Wyne –
- John Brooks –
- Jim Domer –
- Elaine Borchardt –

H. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Julia Sykes to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m., was seconded by Chery Brennan and the vote was unanimous.



Stacie Anaya, Director



Park Board, Chair