

Park Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting of November 8, 2023

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

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

The November Park Board Meeting was called to order by Blake Wyne,
Park Board Chair at 6:04 p.m.

B. Visitors: 0

C. Approval of Park Board Minutes:

Julia motioned to approve the Park Board Minutes of the October 18, 2023, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Chris Crawford and the vote was unanimous.

D. New business:

- Establish Liaison for Lewisville Park Alliance – Stacie Anaya

Blake: anyone want to volunteer?

discussion: was anyone in this role before? No, this is new, but Chery is already the Thrive sub-committee liaison. in August, the positions will be reviewed

Blake nominated Julia, Elizabeth seconded the motion, the vote to approve was unanimous

- NRPA Report – Erika Tang (on behalf of Marcus Gallegos)

Angela: of all the vendors, if money wasn't a factor, what would you invest in?

Blake: everything!

Chris Jones: a playground was almost completely vertical, inclusive, safe, you travel up and then back down slides. Good for small footprints

Stacie: some of the guys mentioned how impressed they were with small utility vehicles that were electric. We are looking at something for urban-ish parks: a bench with picnic table that had solar panels on top. You could charge cell phone, it has wifi, it can allegedly stand up to hail, sleet, without damage.

Chris Chastain: Invisible Structures: permeable pavement. Expensive but awesome.

Stacie: Julia volunteered at the booth

Julia: Yes, Chery wasn't able to make it.

Erika: they allocated specific time to go walk the exhibit hall. It would take 2 hours to go through and talk to vendors

Julia: you could go play on the playgrounds. But I didn't want Dallas Fire to have to show up

Blake: when is NRPA Lewisville?

E. Report:

- Director's Report - written.
- Preserve and Greenbelt Manager's Report – written.
- Programs Manager's Report – written.
- Park Operations and Development Manager's Report – written.
- CIP Manager's Report – written.
- Volunteer Opportunities – written.

F. Round Table

Elizabeth: how are the talks going with lake park erosion control? I'd love Lake Park to come along, be something people can use. I'd love that to be part of the Bond stuff.

Randy: The Planning portion is moving along quite well. A lot is contingent on funding, but it's a pretty solid greenlight.

Blake: Is PLAY Lewisville still going on? I went by Daffodil and didn't see them. Maybe I missed them. I was there around 4

Erika: I'll follow up.

Angela: They're going to Stone Creek Apts - is that only promoted at the apartments?

Erika: Yes, we're there when the kids get off the school bus. Just that community.

Angela: Also, Lewisville Parks Alliance - are they up and running? Is there an amount that's too small or big to ask?

Stacie: Erika and Jose are working on a structure for funding scholarships. They raise an amount and we decide how it's used. Likely January/February we will come to you with that structure and advertise it in the Spring/Summer LEAF. Working through the kinks of it, we know we need to ask and that some people won't want to ask (for scholarships). Some questions we get are regarding residency requirements. We might get pushback on increasing nonresident fees

Blake: The creation of the Centennial Parks fund was passed. Thank you to all who voted for it.

Angela: Along those lines, an amendment of sales tax for sporting goods

Stacie: It's in the works. Its on a big scale. We have neighborhood parks, they have natural parks. East of Dallas, Pinto? will have a grand opening next year. First new park in 20 yrs. This funding will allow them to add a new park every 2 years for next 10-15 yrs. But first: id property, buy it, eminent domain process is very arduous. These things don't happen fast.

Blake: Was this kickstarted by Fayetteville? Fairfield State Park? *no*

Chris Crawford: 2 meetings ago, Elizabeth made a point about priorities: was the nature center as important as parks. I believe we need more shade structures. We should provide practice centers for cricket.

Stacie: Yes, we have 1 at RR park, a private one is opening near LLELA. We're exploring other opportunities. Skateboarding is also an Olympic sport and we only have one of those!

Stacie also showed the Park Board the pictures from our costume contest.

Angela: In spirit of NRPA - should Parks Board do something together? Kayak down Trinity River from LLELA

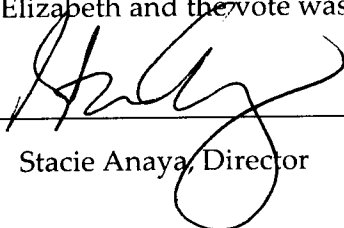
Elizabeth: We did a survey for sports - update?

Stacie: Data gathering is completed. We will bring the findings to you in January.

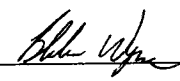
Elizabeth: Very proud to live in Lewisville and that we're fiscally well-managed.

G. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Jim to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m., was seconded by Elizabeth and the vote was unanimous.



Stacie Anaya, Director



Blake Wyne, Chair