

MINUTES

Recreation Advisory Board/Tree Board/Little League Board Department of Parks and Recreation

The Recreation Advisory Board /Tree City USA Board/Little League Board met in a scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 12:06 pm.

Upon roll call the following members were present:

Bob Miller, Moises Contreras, Ron Starr, Mary Scudder and Lisa Blos-Johnson

Upon roll call the following members were absent:

Johnny Coffman and Larry Rhodes

The following guests and staff members were present:

Matt Siniard, Derek Phillips, Reya Joseph and Angela Leitzel

The following decisions were made and ordered a part of the records of the Recreation Advisory Board/Tree City USA Board/ Little League Board.

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MINUTES

Minutes for the scheduled August 17, 2023 meeting were given to the board and no changes were suggested.

Motion was made by Bob Miller, seconded by Moises Contreras, to approve the minutes.

Motion Carried

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NEW BUSINESS

School Gym for Recreation

Matt Siniard explained to the Board, the City took ownership of the elementary schools. Parks and Recreation will not be using Ingleside school, due to the deterioration of the facility, and will try to use Westside and North City for the basketball league practices only. He further explained that the department does not have their own gyms for future programs and the need for a dedicated facility is imminent.

Heritage Park Updates

Siniard explained the grant process is ongoing, signs are being acquired and still waiting to hear on the BlueCross Healthy Places Grant.

Ingleside Tennis/Pickleball Updates

Siniard showed the board vandalism pictures of the courts, from a patch that was laid in 2016 pulled up that exposed the original pad and large cracks. He expressed the concern of needing security cameras and internet at the park. He further explained that we are still waiting on bids from Lose on Pickleball designs and construction wouldn't be able to begin until Spring. He is hoping to have the updated designs by the December Council study session.

Motion was made by Mary Scudder, seconded by Moises Contreras, to recommend to City Council to install Wi-Fi and security cameras in city parks for the safety of the citizens.

Motion Carried

Little League Baseball

Derek Phillips presented the change to the officers, only changing the Safety Officer to Reya Joseph. After explaining a fee chart comparison with surrounding counties, he presented the 2024 budget. Motion was made by Mary Scudder, seconded by Bob Miller, to approve the 2024 Little League Baseball budget.

Motion Carried

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REPORTS

NRPA Engagement with Parks Report 2023

Siniard provided the annual report distributed by the NRPA.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:15pm.