

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PECOS RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE CITY HALL PLANNING ROOM ON JANUARY 21, 2016 AT 9:45 A.M.

Voting Members Present:	Jerry Stanley	Member
	Jane Frost	Member
	Don Garringer	Chairmen
	Larry Henderson	Member
	Jim Grantner	Member
Voting Members Absent:	James Sexton	Member
Board Secretary Present:	Luis Renteria	Parks & Rec. Superintendent
Others Present:	Kadee Rodriguez	Public Works Exec. Secretary

There is one member vacancy.

The meeting was called to order by Don Garringer.

ITEM 1- APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was made by Jerry Stanley and seconded by Larry Henderson to approve the agenda.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Frost, Stanley, Garringer, Henderson, Grantner; No - None; Abstain – None; Absent –Sexton; The motion carried.

ITEM 2- APPROVAL OF MINUTES HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2015

The motion was made by Jerry Stanley and seconded by Larry Henderson to approve the November 19, 2015 minutes.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Frost, Stanley, Garringer, Henderson; No - None; Abstain – Grantner; Absent –Sexton; The motion carried.

ITEM 3 – DISCUSS REPLACING THE ASTRONAUT MEMORIAL STONE

Jerry Stanley said the Query is doing the memorial stone. There is not an estimate date of completion, but it should be ready to install when it comes in.

ITEM 4 – DISCUSS RE-INSTALLING THE TRAMPOLINE AT THE BEACH AREA

Don Garringer said the trampoline was removed from the beach area and was replaced with a slide. He asked why the insurance would more too high for the trampoline and not the slide. Jerry Stanley said Eileen Riordan, City Attorney, wanted it taken out for insurance purposes and because of the potential liability. Luis Renteria said he believes the trampoline was taken out because it was a liability. The water park is going to be more supervised and will have liability insurance. Jerry Stanley said there shouldn't be a lot of liability if the trampoline is only installed during the season the lifeguards are there. Jim Grantner said trampolines can cause injury in or out of the water.

The motion was made by Jerry Stanley and seconded by Jane Frost to move forward with trying to re-install the trampoline.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Frost, Stanley, Garringer, Henderson; No - Grantner; Abstain – None; Absent –Sexton; The motion carried.

Jerry Stanley is going to speak with Steve McCutcheon about re-installing the trampoline. Luis Renteria suggested he also speak with Rick Lopez, Fire Chief, about the lifeguards supervising it.

ITEM 5 – CONSIDER COMMITTEE MEMBER REPLACEMENT

Jerry Stanley said the current number of members on the Committee is seven, but they can drop that number down to five if it will increase their odds of having a quorum at each meeting.

The motion was made by Jerry Stanley and seconded by Jim Grantner to reduce the voting membership requirement down to five members.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Frost, Stanley, Garringer, Henderson, Grantner; No - None; Abstain – None; Absent –Sexton; The motion carried.

ITEM 6 – PARKS AND REC REPORT

- **DISCUSS ONGOING PROJECTS**

Luis Renteria said the water park installation is ongoing. The labyrinth that was there will be moved. Larry Henderson said there will be a meeting on Monday, February 1st at 8:30 am to talk about the proposal for the new design for the labyrinth and the new location it will be placed.

Luis Renteria said all of the picnic tables and benches have been installed. The Committee should start looking at a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Last year the Committee asked for \$16,500, which included the memorial stone.

Luis Renteria said they were funded \$100,000 to re-build the Playground on the Pecos. They will be working with Leathers & Associates and volunteers from United Way. They are looking to start around March.

Don Garringer asked what the plans were for an irrigation system along the beach area and the Veterans Park area. He said it can't be a spray system because the water gets on everything and turns it white as snow. Luis Renteria explained there is a lot of calcium in the water. They buried a lot of the irrigation at the Veterans Park. Larry Henderson said they are a lot closer to getting the re-cleaned sewage water under the river so they can use it in the parks.

ITEM 7 – SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for February 18, 2016 at 9:45 am.

ITEM 8 – ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Larry Henderson and seconded by Jane Frost to adjourn the meeting.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Frost, Stanley, Garringer, Henderson, Grantner; No - None; Abstain – None; Absent –Sexton; The motion carried.


Chairman