

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARLSBAD PARKS AND
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD HELD AT THE PUBLIC WORKS
CONFERENCE ROOM ON MARCH 17, 2016 AT 4:00 P.M.**

Voting Members Present:	Dave Gillan Don Dayton Christy Thomas Jim Grantner	Chairperson Co-Chairperson Member Member
Visitors:	Mary Garwood James Dickman Dagmar Youngberg	City Beautification Guest Guest
Members Absent:	Valerie Dorr Alan Fiala	Member Member
Ex-Officio Member Absent:	Sandra Nunley	City Councilor
Board Secretary Present:	Luis Renteria	Parks & Rec. Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chairman Dave Gillan at 4:00 pm

ITEM 1 – ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Roll call of those present was taken by Dave Gillan. It is determined that a quorum is present.

ITEM 2 – INTRODUCTION AND ORIENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Dave Gillan introduced Christy Thomas and Jim Grantner, he stated both members are well distinguished contributors to Carlsbad. Dave requested Laura to make copies of the Advisory Board Handbook and the Park Improvement Master Plan. The Parks Advisory Board was created in May of 2000 and by 2003 it had evolved into an interest. In 2013 the handbook was revised due to the fact that the idea of 6 or 7 people were responsible of 21 parks all together was impossible, so they assigned parks to the members. Open meetings act requirements would be interesting so don't put it off by the size or weight.

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was made by Jim Grantner to approve the Agenda as presented. Christy Thomas seconds the motion.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Mr. Gillan, Mr. Dayton, Mr. Grantner, Mrs. Thomas. No – None. Absent: Mr. Fiala, Ms. Dorr. The motion carries.

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF JANUARY 21, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The motion was made by Don Dayton to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2016 meeting Christy Thomas seconds the motion.

The vote was as follows: Yes – Mr. Gillan, Mr. Dayton, Mrs. Thomas. No – None. Obstain: Mr. Grantner. Absent: Mr. Fiala, Ms. Dorr. The motion carries.

ITEM 5 – OLD BUSINESS

A. Water Park

Dave Gillan wants to make sure the front of the building is properly landscaped, so we can encourage people to come from the parking through that area instead of parking in the road and have a decorative nature in front of the bathhouse. Jim Grantner got with the City Planner about the Water Park, he stated to the Pecos River Committee has a little extra money that they could donate toward the Water Park for some benches. Jim Grantner stated that there should be a person up to date with the Water Park, so they can give the Park and Recreation Board updates and Don Dayton said that he spoke to Janelle and she said that this board was it. Jim Grantner said that it was surprise to him because they were only told about the Water Park only one time. Luis stated that Steve Hendley is going to be over the Water Park, so the member suggested that he should attend the next meeting. Luis said that JR Doporto and Jason Shirley brought up the plans and asked for certain amount of money to Pecos River Committee and to the Parks & Rec committee and Council approved it there was no committee assigned because it was request from the citizens. Jim Grantner suggested that recommendation to form a committee or sub-committee because it's out of our control right now.

B. Budget Recommendations

Dave Gillan said that Luis Renteria is still interested in the budget recommendations. He said if there was any legitimate request or development in a park, than lets request it. He stated that he recommended soccer fields at the Davis Park. Jim Grantner said the park that stands out is the Veterans Park, he wouldn't mind a playground area. Luis Renteria put in his budget was the parking for the San Jose Plaza, Dave's proposal was \$60,000.00 and the cost for all the way around is \$103,200.00. He also requested \$15,000.00 for wood mulch that has to be replaced on all City Park's.

ITEM 6 – NEW BUSINESS

A. Labyrinth, Presentation (Mary Garwood, Beautification Coordinator)

Mary Garwood had presented Jason Burns with a kit from the mural group to replace the labyrinth that was demolished for the Water Park. The cost to replace it was about \$70,000 or \$80,000 but chose a less expensive option, the cement slab is going to be an impression instead of actual bricks which is a better option to maintain. They are in the process of the design of the landscape, Jason Burns had a couple of ideas, and the group with the kit was also going to send Mary their ideas. There is a group of people who are in charge, but was an oversight of the labyrinth, that was not notified of the break down. Mary stated they didn't know how important it was until it wasn't there, but in this case they are getting a

better labyrinth. It will be located near the cul-de-sac on Locust and Mission Street. Dave asked if they had talked to the tree board, but Mary said they have not had a quorum. Dave's big question is who will be responsible of the maintenance. Mary stated that she don't think it would be much maintenance just make sure the trees are watered and shrubs are trimmed. Jim Grantner said maybe they can do an adopt a park and someone can adopt it.

B. Veterans' Park

James Dickman likes the idea of Jim Grantner of the playground, he said that they can't use the whole area but would like to establish a master plan. He said they would like to expand. The Veterans Committee concerns about the baseball practice and move the backstop, because the gun that was at the Court House but were it was placed it's a little crowded, so he would like to move it over and put it in front of the flags. They eventually want to put an airplane, or helicopter. The City put a fence around the area because people were driving doing donuts, and they figured a fence would be secure for the monument not to get damaged. They want to extend the sidewalk to the park, all the way to the parking lot. James said they can expand from the flag area to the duster area, to leave an open area for children to still have room to play or practice. Dagmar commented is the concern of the backstop and the monuments being damaged due to the practicing, they do have private funding and start showing how they are spending it and that something is getting done. She would like for the center area open and the kids' area for parks, parades, and for other events for Veterans and Communities, they do not intent to cut people off. They have filler out for planes, bubble helicopters, but if they place them all in one area it will look unlevelled.

C. Reassignment of Parks

See Attachment.

D. Smith Park

Dave brought it up to the attention because they end up with a problem often, a playground and parking area was put in. He handed a couple of pictures around of one of the backboards is facing a well travel street Mesa. Christy stated that the area is being used as a pick up/drop off for the children before and after school. They got directions from the mayor on how they wanted the position of the field.

E. Parks Board Member Recommendations

Dave stated that the Mayor's Office has received Avelina Childress written resignation, and would like to submit Denton McCullough for membership for the board.

ITEM 7 – STANDING REPORTS

Luis Renteria went over the Parks Superintendent Report for January.

1. The Parks Department has installed eight (8) steel plastic coated benches at Davis Park.
2. The Parks Department has completed the playground installation at McLenathen Park.

3. Greer Construction is in the process of building a new restroom and Constructors Inc. is installing a new parking lot at the Lake Carlsbad Tennis Courts.
4. New lights and more security cameras have been installed by the Electrical Department and Modern Company at the Carlsbad Veterans Memorial Park.
5. Bubbler Irrigation Systems has been installed at the Ray Anaya Plaza de San Jose, Davis Park, and the Carlsbad Veterans Memorial Park for tree installation by Phil's Landscaping.
6. The Irrigation Crew is in the process of installing stainless steel fixtures at the Riverview Park Restrooms.
7. Constructors will be paving overlay of asphalt for the basketball court at West Carlsbad Recreation area.

ITEM 8 – COMMENTS

James recommended that the Parks tab should be put back on the website for people to find what is going on at the City Parks. Mary Garwood said that she had heard they were doing work with the website to get updated, so might have taken it off and not replaced. Dave said he looked on the website for a couple of agendas, but could not seem to find them.

ITEM 9 – SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2016 at 4:00 pm.

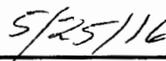
ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Don Dayton to adjourn the meeting. Christy Thomas seconds the motion.

The motion carries.



Chair



Date