

**PARK COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LEON VALLEY, TEXAS
APRIL 14, 2015**

The Park Commission of the City of Leon Valley, Texas met on the 14th day of April, 2015 at 7 p.m. at Leon Valley City Hall, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas, for the purpose of the following business, to-wit:

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF LEON VALLEY PARK COMMISSION, 7 P.M.

1. Call the City of Leon Valley Regular Park Commission Meeting to Order and Determine a Quorum is Present. Chairman Bert Thomas called the Regular Park Commission Meeting to order at 7 p.m., with the following Park Commissioners in attendance: Commissioners Roger Christensen, John Stanley, Monica Alcocer, Linda Tarin, Dorothy Humphrey, and Jackie Walton. Absent and excused were Commissioners Benay Cacciatore and Carolyn Gabriel. Also present was City Staff member Melinda Moritz.

2. Review and Approval of the March 2, 2015 Regular Park Commission Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2015 Regular Park Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Christensen. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Discussion and Recommendation: City Council Approved Silo Park Amenities

Staff Member Moritz informed the Commission of the City Council's decision to authorize the Public Works Department to start construction at the Silo Park, to include the walking trail and any other amenities as listed on the Park Commissions' recommendations, up to \$20,000. She also explained that to date, the property had been staked and a trail alignment been identified, and that the first step would be to remove all dead and dying trees and underbrush. She noted that all work at the site would stop when City Administration is moved to the temporary lease space, as it would take all Public Works employees to accomplish the move, store unnecessary items, and salvage items from City Hall.

5. Reports: Activities that impact the Park or Access to the Park:

A. Melinda Moritz: Update on Community Garden.

B. Melinda Moritz: Update on Park Rehabilitation.

C. Melinda Moritz: Update on the status of the Hike and Bike Trail.

D. Trail Marker Proposal

Staff member Moritz gave brief reports on all the activities. Citizen Francisco Villafranco gave a presentation on proposed trail markers to replace the existing trail markers in Raymond Rimkus Park. He presented three options, being a post type, a medallion in-pavement type, and a painted marker on the surface of the pavement. Chairman Thomas thanked him for his presentation. After general

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discussion, Commissioner Alcocer stated her preference of a painted trail marker, to allow for future changes.

6. Commissioner's and Staff's comments:

Chairman Thomas stated that he would like the Tree Advisory Board to meet, possibly at a joint meeting, to discuss the state of the trees in the park. Commissioner Alcocer mentioned that the TAB had spoken at the City Council meeting and that they were looking for places to plant trees in order to meet their goal of 10,000 trees planted by 2020. Chairman Thomas noted that the Park Master Plan recommended the planting of trees at the park, to include Crepe Myrtle trees around the softball field. He noted that the Park Commission typically holds a work day every spring and fall. He indicated his desire to hold the next Park Commission meeting at the park and work on the planting area near baseball field.

Commissioner Christensen requested the baseball field drainage be studied, as water was backing up onto Forest Meadow and the field itself was holding water. He also noted that the main entrance to the Community Garden needed an application of either mulch or gravel, as it was muddy from the recent construction efforts.

Chairman Thomas explained that the City Council was changing their regular meeting days and that the Park Commission would need to change theirs as a consequence. Some confusion was expressed and Staff member Moritz stated she would clarify the Council's days and times to inform the Commission. Chairman Thomas proposed a work meeting, to be held at Raymond Rimkus Park, meet at the pavilion, to perform some planting. He asked if Saturday, May 16th, would fit into everyone's schedule. It was decided that the work day would be held Saturday, May 16th, at 8:30 am.

7. Adjourn. Commissioner Alcocer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and the meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.



Interim Chairman Roger Christensen



Date

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