

**LEON VALLEY PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 14, 2014**

The Leon Valley Park Commission met on the 14th day of January, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Leon Valley City Council Chambers, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas, for the purpose of the following business, to-wit:

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY PARK COMMISSION

1. Call the Leon Valley Park Commission Meeting to Order and Determine a Quorum is Present.

Chairman Bert Thomas called the regular Park Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Thomas, and Commissioners Linda Tarin, Bill Cooper, Scott Baird, and John Stanley. Absent and excused was Commissioner Benay Cacciatore. Chairman Thomas announced that Commissioner Tom Fraser had resigned from the Commission and that he had informed the Mayor of the vacancy, asking for three replacements, one from each of Park Zones 1, 2 & 4. Also present was City Staff Member Melinda Moritz. Let the record show that a quorum was present.

2. Consider Approval of the November 12, 2013 regular meeting minutes.

Commissioner Baird motioned to approve the November 12, 2013 meeting minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Citizens to be Heard

There were no citizens to be heard.

4. Reports: Activities that Impact the Park or Access to the Park.

a. Results of the work session in Raymond Rimkus Park.

Chairman Thomas reported that he and Commissioners Cacciatore, Cooper and resident Monica Alcocer and her granddaughter spent about two hours preparing soil at the wildflower garden and then spreading a pound of special blend wildflower seeds, donated by Dr. and Mrs. Wassel Beal. He thanked those that attended.

5. Discuss:

a. Mr. Jess Swaim's Proposal for the Hike & Bike Trail.

Chairman Thomas stated that he had attended a presentation given by Mr. Swaim at the January 9, 2014 Public Meeting for the proposed Hike & Bike Trail. He stated that the results of that Public Meeting had been reported by Staff member Moritz at the January 13th City Council meeting and that she would now show those results to the Commission. Moritz presented the results and then ended by stating that the City Council would make a final decision on a trail alignment at their February 10, 2014 meeting.

b. Prioritize 2014 Park Master Plan Recommendations.

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Chairman Thomas noted that, in his opinion, the recommendations in the revised Master Plan had been prepared in priority order and that he saw no need to revisit the subject. The Commission concurred.

Commissioner Baird stated that he had found some grant opportunities for parks and playgrounds, and that he would be investigating them.

6. Commissioners' and Staff's Comments:

Commissioner Cooper asked what happened to the pedestrian crossing delineators on Evers Road. Staff member Moritz stated that they had been removed due to damage, but that they would soon be replaced.

Commissioner Baird informed the Commission that he had accepted a position with the Leon Valley Historical Society because of his membership with the Park Commission and was looking forward to working with them.

Staff member Moritz informed the Commission that the City Manager had requested an electrical panel be placed in Raymond Rimkus Park near the bleachers, to accommodate City functions. She explained that he would like Commission approval. Commissioner Baird motioned to approve the placement of an electrical panel in the park near the bleachers and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Announcements:

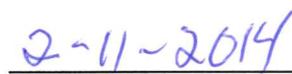
Chairman Thomas stated that the next Park Commission Meeting would be held in the City Council Chambers at Leon Valley City Hall on Tuesday, February 11, 2014.

8. Adjournment

Commissioner Stanley motioned to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.



Chairman Bert Thomas



Date