



Leon Valley Park Commission Meeting Minutes

The Park Commission of the City of Leon Valley, Texas met on the 13th day of February, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., at the Leon Valley Conference Center, 6421 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas, for the purpose of the following business, to-wit:

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Determine if Quorum is Present.

Chairman Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., with the following Commissioners in attendance: Vice-Chairwoman Danielle Bolton, and Commissioners Jack Dean, Carolyn Gabriel, David Smith, Geraldine Rodriguez-Smith, and Kathy Hill. Absent were Commissioners Michelle Alonzo and Alternate Joyce Trent. Also present was Councilmember Monica Alcocer and Staff member Melinda Moritz.

2. Review and Consider Approval of the January 9, 2020 Park Commission Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as written, which was seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Bolton. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and Action – Appoint Sub-Committee to Develop a Comprehensive Plan for an Off-Leash Dog Park (Chairman Christensen/Commissioners).

Chairman Christensen explained to the Commissioners that, according to the park survey results, the citizens had expressed a strong desire for a dog park. He requested that a sub-committee be formed to investigate a site, preferred amenities, irrigation, rules and regulations, and other concerns for such a park, which would be reported back to the full Commission at a later date. A general discussion was held on dog parks. Chairman Christensen then asked for volunteers for the committee. Vice-Chairwoman Bolton, and Commissioners Hill and Smith volunteered to be on the sub-committee.

4. Reports: Activities or Events that Impact Parks or Access to Parks:

A. Discussion and Action – Silo Murals (M. Moritz).

Staff member Moritz addressed the Commission, stating that she had brought the subject of the murals for the Silos and for the City's Grass Hill elevated water tank to the attention of the City Council and that the Council had decided to hold an art

mural contest. She explained that she was working on the rules and regulations for the contest and would be seeking guidance from the Council on eligibility and incentives for participants.

B. Discussion and Action – El Verde Road Park Concept and Naming (Commissioners).

Staff member Moritz stated that the Commission needed to take a formal vote on the park concept and to agree on a name. Commissioner Rodriguez-Smith made a motion to approve the park concept and to name the park El Verde Park. Vice-Chairwoman Bolton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Other Business

A. Discussion and Action – Earthwise Living Day Event (M. Moritz)

Staff member Moritz stated that the Earthwise Living Day event would be held on March 7, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm and that the Park Commission had a booth at the event. She asked which Commissioners were willing to volunteer to work at the booth. Chairman Christensen stated that he would work from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. Vice-Chairwoman Bolton stated that she would take the 11:30 am to 1:30 pm shift. Commissioner Dean stated that he would take the 10:30 am to 11:30 am shift.

B. Update on the Bexar County Huebner Creek Conveyance LC-17 Segment III project (M. Moritz).

Staff member Moritz gave a brief update on the project, stating that weather had played a large part in the delay of the project, noting that the contractor was reporting over 400 rain days, among other delays. She stated that they projected a completion date of April, weather permitting.

C. ADA Accessible Walking Trail – Silo Park (M. Moritz).

Staff member Moritz stated that the contract to construct an ADA accessible walking trail, from Canterfield to the Silo Park, had been awarded and the contractor was underway building the trail. She invited the Commissioners to take a look, when they were in that area.

6. Citizens to be Heard

Councilor Alcocer thanked the Commissioners for their hard work. The Commissioners recognized her for all her support of the Commission and for her hard work.

7. Commissioner and Staff Comments.

Commissioner David Smith asked when the planned crosswalks were to be constructed. Staff member Moritz explained that the bid would be awarded on March 17th, but that the crosswalks would not be built until the schools were closed for the summer.

Commissioner Geraldine Rodriguez-Smith wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day.

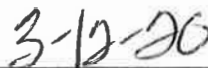
Commissioner Hill expressed her pleasure at the new weathervane on the pavilion at The Ridge at Leon Valley Park and invited the rest of the Commission to go and look when they had a chance.

Chairman Christensen stated that the Commission would try to hold a meeting at the Linkwood Trail in the Spring.

8. Adjourn.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Bolton. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.


Roger Christensen, Chairman


Date