

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

BE IT KNOWN that the Parks & Recreation Board of the City of Lake Jackson met in regular session on TUESDAY, April 19th, 2022, AT 6:30 P.M. at the Civic Center, 333 Highway 332 E, Lake Jackson, Texas with the following in attendance:

Elaine Conley, Chairperson
Debra Perry, Secretary
Nicole Larson
David Altizer
Kristle Kersten

Robin Hyden, Parks & Recreation Director
Justin Janis, Marketing & Youth Coordinator
Jonathan Phillips, Parks & Rec Assistant Director
Matthew Broaddus, City Council Liaison

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Elaine Conley.

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion by Nicole Larson, second by Kristle Kersten, with all members present voting "aye" the March 1, 2022, minutes were approved.

III. **VISITORS**

Aaron Smith - LJGSA

IV. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LAKE JACKSON'S REQUEST TO NAME THE POCKET PARK LOCATED AT 302 MAGNOLIA TO "UPWARD SPORTS PARK"**

Robin presented the request from First Baptist Church's Associate Pastor, Brad Dawson and informed the board of the location of the currently unnamed "Pocket Park". The request is to name this currently unnamed "Pocket Park" to "Upward Park".

On motion by Kristle Kersten, with all members present voting "aye" the Parks Board approved naming the park "Upward Park" with discussion on adding a sign to be conducted at a later date.

V. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER, TAKE ACTION ON THE PROPOSED 2022/2023 PARKS FUND BUDGET**

Robin tabled the budget to next month's meeting.

VI. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER, & PRIORITIZE VARIOUS PROJECTS FOR THE 5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Robin went through line by line of each fiscal year and what improvements were coming to facilities and parks in the city. These included renovations to existing facilities as well as new additions such as bathrooms and new playground equipment at several parks.

VII. **UPDATE OF APPROVED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Robin presented updates on the ongoing projects from the CIP line by line, including the expected costs and savings from finished/upcoming projects.

VIII. **HIKE, BIKE & PADDLE TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE**

Elaine spoke about kayak launch point at Brazosport College and the best way to use funds to properly improve the area. Elaine mentioned the subcommittee's desire for a "Bike Boulevard" on Lake Road as well as connecting local parks on Yaupon via pathways.

IX. **DIRECTOR'S UPDATE**

1. Robin introduced Jonathan Phillips to the board, who then gave the Recreation Division Updates
 - A. Easter Egg Hunts were very successful. 650 total adults, 150 teens and an estimated 1000 children.
 - B. Fun Illustrated has arrived and has been mailed out to Lake Jackson Residents
 - C. Kid's Reel Big Fish Event is this Saturday, April 23rd at the Lake Jackson Sea Center.
 - D. New boiler will be installed soon at the Rec Center.
2. Robin updated the board on the Parks Updates
 - E. Parks Department is fully staffed.
 - F. Planted a large number of trees around the city recently for Arbor Day.
3. Civic Center Updates:
 - G. Busy with rentals.
4. Robin updated the board on the Golf Course Updates:
 - H. Search for a new General Manager has begun.
 - I. Lightning strike messed up irrigation on a few holes on the front 9 but the issue has been resolved.

X. **ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

XI. **DISCUSS FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Next meeting set for May 17th at 6:00 P.M.

XII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

These minutes read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Elaine Conley, Chairperson

Debra Perry, Secretary