

THE HILLS PARK COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING-Monday, February 8, 2016

In attendance: Gary Weldon, Pattye Ward, Pat Zepp, Jim Morter, Allan Hitchcock, George Spencer, Pam Ovlen, and Robert Smith (BOA Liason)

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Gary Weldon, Chair. He welcomed George Spencer to his first meeting as a commission member.

A motion was moved by Pattye and seconded by Allan to approve the minutes from January 11, 2016. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Pat presented the current budget. She pointed out that, in the actuals column, the December Hills Fest expenditures were updated, along with the new January expenditures. She hopes to get the unpaid sponsors' money in soon, which would be about \$1200. Pattye said that only one sponsor is still outstanding, and the figure should be \$300 less than that amount. A motion was made by Jim, seconded by George, and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Old Business

Park Permit Process

Jim stated that there were only minor changes made from the discussion last month, including the address designation from Lakeway to The Hills. Robert advised that 90% of the permits can be approved by Megan at the time of application. Pat suggested that checks for reserving the park be attached to the application at the time it is turned in rather than once it is approved. It was decided that this change should be made.

George asked how liability is covered, and Robert answered that the city has an umbrella policy that is well over one million dollars. Pat asked if we shouldn't have a copy of the insurance that covers the group using the park, and George suggested that it would only be necessary if it is a commercial group. Robert will pass out information at the next BOA meeting and let them review.

Pat moved that the park permit changes be approved, with the revision as to when the check is collected, and Pattye seconded the motion. The motion was approved, and Gary thanked Jim for all the work he has done on this project.

Garbage cans/concrete slab issue

After the walk through, it was considered that this was not necessary to be addressed, and there was no further discussion.

New Business

New prospects for Commission Members

Gary handed out a bio for Joe Middlebrook, 209 The Hills Drive. Another interested resident is Dan Kelly. Both have younger children, which the group felt would be a good balance for the commission. Robert stated that, if Gary will get Dan's address and bio to him by Thursday, he will submit the 2 names to the BOA at their next meeting.

Review of the park walk through

Commission members volunteered to follow up as follows:

-Pat will meet with Linda to see that the following are handled: bathroom soap dispenser, freeze protection, new hose/coupler/nozzle, larger bags for trash cans, pavilion light bulb replacement and eaves paint

-Jim will work with maintenance on how to redesign the landing area of the large slide and to ensure that the side steps, rope and broken board on the left side are fixed appropriately

-Jim and Gary will work on the "how to" signs for the exercise stations and how to get them refinished. Gary will check at his church to see if there is a scout troop that would take on this project

-Gary will check on cost of memorial benches

-Pam will check with Angie on how to add a park report in her emailed newsletter

-Work on the oak trees will be put off till the appropriate time of year.

Jazz Fest

A target date was set for Saturday, April 23 from 5-8 p.m. Finalization will depend on availability of performer(s). Gary and Pattye have suggested Des, a saxophonist who plays at Guero's on South Congress on Fridays. He has an 8-10 member band. Commission members are encouraged to go listen to them.

Hills Fest

A tentative date of Sunday, October 16 from 12-4 was set. Pat will check with local schools' Halloween activities to see that they don't conflict. Pattye will put this date on The Hills calendar. Pattye asked that all commission members start lining up sponsors now.

Rules/signage

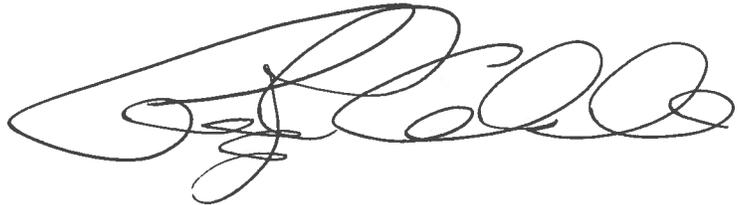
Pat researched other parks' rule signage in Lakeway and Bee Cave. She suggested that we keep the verbiage simple and handed out suggestions. There was discussion on whether to mention glass containers and alcohol, as some other parks have done. Robert said that the mention of alcohol hasn't come up before, although the state of Texas has some ruling on alcohol in parks. He will mention it to the BOA and get their feedback.

Next meeting: Monday, March 14 at 4:00 p.m. in the MUD conference room

Adjournment: A motion was made by Pat, seconded by Pam and passed to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Ovlen

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pam Ovlen', written in a cursive style.