

THE HILLS PARK COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING--Monday, December 12, 2016

In attendance: Gary Weldon, Pattye Ward, Allan Hitchcock, Pat Zepp, Joe Middlebrook, Pat Younger, Robert Smith, BOA Liaison, Angie Thielemans, POA Liaison, and Eric Ovlén, BOA Mayor.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Gary Weldon, Chair.

Minutes

A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Pat Younger, and passed to approve the minutes from November 15

Treasurer's Report

Pat pointed out that there are extra charges for mowing and clean up. We have a new contract for cleaning services--\$60 every Monday for cleaning the bathrooms and taking care of trash. We had not planned for this so may be a little in the red.

We are about breaking even on HillsFest. Angie said that we have covered expenses but it is disappointing that there is no carryover for next year. There are still 3-\$300 receivables outstanding, which the POA owes the Park Commission.

We have 4 new tents for HillsFest next year, and we will need to stencil "The Hills" on them.

A motion was made by Pattye, seconded by Allan, and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Old Business

Painting Proposal

Pat Zepp and Dan met with "Deb the Painter" today. Hers was the lowest bid of \$4300, which includes power washing and other prep work, staining, and oiling the rafters that are sun damaged. Painting the wood in the playground is included. She will be working on this all week.

Dog Park

Pam sent out an email to those who expressed interest in being on a dog park committee, letting them know that we will be getting in touch with them after the first of the year, once we have more information.

Before we can proceed with a plan proposal, we need an up-to-date survey of the park. Earl gave a quote of about \$6500. Thinking that sounds high, Angie and Joe will look into other survey quotes. Since the BOA is planning some long term goals, Pam asked Robert if he would ask the BOA if they would be willing to pay for the survey.

### Slide repair

Gary has not heard back from the Eagle Scout, so he will follow up. If the Scouts will do the work, Gary, Joe, Jim and Dan will give them guidance.

### Storage closet organization

Deferred

### New Business

#### JazzFest

A tentative date of either April 23 or 30 was agreed on.

Gary and Allan will work on lining up bands. Gary would like to include the Lake Travis Jazz Band this year. If any Commission members have suggestions for bands, let Gary or Allan know.

Since the Brass Rail has closed, Gary will ask the Musicians Woodshed if they would like to sponsor the event by supplying equipment for it.

Pat Younger suggested asking attendees to decorate golf carts for their favorite song.

### Commissioners

Terms run on a calendar year basis. We will be losing Pattye and Pat Zepp in 2017. All other commissioners are willing to stay on, with Gary remaining as Chair and Pam as Secretary. Joe has volunteered to be Vice Chair. As no one volunteered to be Treasurer, Gary will work with Pat Zepp for the first 3 months of 2017, until someone steps up to take that role. Pat Zepp had offered to train him or her but will be unavailable after March.

Joe said he would co-chair HillsFest with Angie. Gary said he and Dan would help, too. Eric mentioned that The Hills will have a City Manager, who will also be involved, starting in January. Pat Younger agreed to help with fund raising again.

Pam mentioned that one of the YOA parents is interested in being on the Commission, and Gary asked her to get her resume to him.

Gary also asked Angie if she could send a message to The Hills community at large to see if there are others interested. Angie will ask the POA for permission to send an email blast. Constant Comment is the company that is used now, and there is a charge for additional emails. The POA will use another company starting in February, and additional email blasts will be included in their charges.

**Next Meeting: Monday, January 9 at 3:00 p.m. in the parking lot**

We will start our next meeting an hour early so we can tour the MUD facility. Meet in the parking lot at 3:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Gary, seconded by Pat Zepp, and passed to adjourn the meeting.

Gary adjourned the meeting at 4:43.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Ovlen