

STATE OF TEXAS :
COUNTIES OF POTTER :
AND RANDALL :

On this the 8th day of June 2010, the Parks and Recreation Commission of Amarillo, Texas convened at 1:30 PM in regular session in Room 306, City Hall at 509 E. 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

ATTENDANCE

	PRESENT TODAY	NO. REGULAR MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. REGULAR MEETINGS ATTENDED SINCE APPOINTMENT	SPECIAL MEETINGS HELD	SPECIAL MEETINGS ATTENDED
Mr. Daniel Martinez	Yes	50	48	0	0
Mr. Hal Leedy	No	30	19	0	0
Mr. Cameron Monroe	No	20	15	0	0
Mr. Clint Norton	Yes	11	10	0	0
Ms. Joyce Cunningham	Yes	30	28	0	0
Ms. Jackie Payne	Yes	30	25	0	0
Mr. Brian Scott	Yes	48	40	0	0

and the following staff members:

Mr. Larry Offerdahl	Director of Parks & Recreation
Mr. Rod Tweet	Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
Mr. Clint Stoddard	Park Superintendent
Ms. Sherylene Morris	Recording Secretary

There being a quorum established, the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Mr. Daniel Martinez, and the following business was conducted.

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 11, 2010 MEETING

Ms. Joyce Cunningham made a MOTION to approve the May 11th minutes as amended. Ms. Jackie Payne seconded the MOTION. MOTION passed by a vote of 5-0.

ITEM 2. MONTHLY REPORTS

Larry stated that as of June 4, 2010, a total of 30 AZS memberships have been received and processed. At least nine (9) are Charter Members, three, (3) are Zoo Benefactors, eleven (11) are Family VIP's, three (3) Individual plus one, four (4) Individual.

Revenues for zoo admissions are increasing at the Amarillo Zoo. Admission revenues through May 31, 2010 total \$97,770. The 2009 Zoo Business Plan recommended that 25% of the zoo admissions will be placed into the zoo improvement fund for new zoo exhibits.

Revenues at the golf course still continue to drop due to the weather, however, they have picked up with the recent tournaments during the warm weather.

The Tennis Center year to date attendance through May 31, 2010 totaled 17,019 as compared to 20,717 through May 2009. The number of days the Tennis Center was closed increased by 35% from the previous year.

The three (3) swimming pools opened on May 30, 2010 with our normal hours of operation.

The first annual Yogi Rossi Tournament was held on May 23, 2010. Twenty-one teams registered for this event which was rained out on May 15th & 16th and then moved to the 23rd. The 27th Annual Memorial Day Budweiser Tournament was held on May 29th & 30th with a total of fifty teams. Twenty-four teams were from out of town.

Clint stated that his park crew had just finished preparing the splashpads for the summer.

The total trees planted on both Green Select Days were 274 that were planted at Tradewinds and Westover Village Parks.

Revenues for zoo admissions and special events have totaled \$100,000 for the year to date. The zoo staff is contemplating leaving the concession stand open seven days a week instead of 5 days a week.

ITEM 3. REPORT ON DEVELOPING SENIOR PARK ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Larry Offerdahl stated that Parks Administration is currently in the planning stages for developing and implementing new programs and activities at the new Ellwood Senior Park. Park Administration is also communicating with Baptist Community Services in initiating these services/activities.

ITEM 4. REPORT ON THE PARKS & RECREATION CHAPTERS OF THE 2010 CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The City of Amarillo is currently updating the City of Amarillo Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in 1985. Larry stated that two chapters from this comprehensive plan, Chapters 4 & 5 – Parks & Cultural Services and the Mobility Chapter, relate directly to the Amarillo Parks & Recreation Department.

The update to the 2003 Hike & Bike Master Plan will be incorporated in this plan as well as the 2008 Park Master Plan.

The estimated final consideration for this new City Comprehensive Plan will be by the end of this summer.

ITEM 5. REVIEW THE PROPOSED FY 10-11 PARKS & RECREATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDING REQUESTS

Larry stated that due to limited capital improvement funds available in FY 10-11, several of the recommended Parks Capital Improvement Projects will not be funded.

ITEM 6. UPDATE ON THE 2010 HIKE AND BIKE MASTER PLAN

Larry stated that the City of Amarillo Traffic Commission will hold a meeting and formally consider the updated Hike & Bike Master Plan. The Amarillo City Commission will review before approval at a later date.

ITEM 7. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION COMMENTS

Jackie Payne expressed her concerns about the parking at John Stiff Park and that the police were issuing parking tickets at \$50.

Larry explained the need for more parking areas at JSM and other parks such as: Ellwood and Rick Klein. These parking areas would then be part of a bond election.

There being no further discussion, MOTION was made by MS. Jackie Payne to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Joyce Cunningham seconded the MOTION. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Larry Offerdahl,
Director of Parks and Recreation