

Dallas Center Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2017

In attendance: Merle Baer, Mallory Brown, Bob King, Ryan Pearson (City Council), Mary Werch

1. Called to order at 7:00 PM by Mary.
2. Approval of agenda
 - a. **Motion:** Approve Agenda for tonight's meeting (**motion made by:** Merle, **seconded by:** Bob)
 - b. **Results:** Approved
3. Approve minutes of the May 23, 2017 meeting
 - a. **Motion:** Approve minutes (**motion made by:** Merle, **seconded by:** Mallory)
 - b. **Results:** Approved
4. Public communication
 - a. **Discussion:** None
5. Discussion/action on function and purpose of Recreation Trail Committee
 - a. **Discussion:** The Recreation Trail Committee often works on short lead times, and we need to figure out how to streamline approval of their decisions. The Committee has not met for months. The Board would like to have the Committee responsible for contacting Businesses/the Economic Development group when large rides are coming through town. We need Committee members who can make mid-day meetings when most of the Raccoon Trail decisions are made. We would like to establish a limited budget line for the Committee to control for decisions they can make that require quick responses. Ryan indicated that he would initiate a discussion with the Council on the need for streamlining the process.
 - b. **Motion:** Defer further discussion until we have Committee members present. (**motion made by:** Bob, **seconded by:** Merle)
 - c. **Results:** Approved
6. Removal of dead trees in parks
 - a. **Discussion:** Mary reported that we have one large dead tree in Mound Park, 5 dead trees at the sports complex and one small dead tree in Memorial Park. Brian indicated that the city could remove the small tree.
 - b. **Motion:** Authorize Mary to seek tree and stump removal quotes from JW for the 6 trees in Mound and the sports complex and to authorize their work if the costs are reasonable.. (**motion made by:** Bob, **seconded by:** Merle)
 - c. **Results:** Approved
7. Updates and information from any Board members
 - a. **Discussion:** Mary showed photos of the new restroom, reported on Council decisions to move it to the west side of the trail, and showed a map of the planned location. She also updated us on the new art work that will be installed and the planned locations for the tables and drinking fountain at the trailhead. Bob reported on the new rain garden and offered to water the plants that are beginning to look dehydrated.
8. Change date for July meeting
 - a. **Motion:** Move the date to July 6th, 7:00 PM, Library. (**motion made by:** Mallory, **seconded by:** Merle)
 - b. **Results:** Approved
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