

**THE CITY OF SAN ANGELO, TEXAS  
MINUTE RECORD OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Following notice and publication, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board convened in a regular meeting at 3:30 p.m. November 21, 2013 in the South Meeting Room, McNease Convention Center, 500 Rio Concho Dr, San Angelo, Texas.

**Board members present** were Mr. Donald Barnhart, Ms. Gloria Henderson, Mr. Mike Campbell, Ms. Julia Lane and Ms. Mary Palos.

**Staff members present** were Mr. Carl White and Mr. Roger Havlak. Minutes were recorded by Mrs. Ida Rios.

**I. OPEN SESSION (3:30 p.m.)**

**A. Call to Order**

Mr. Campbell called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m.

**B. Public Comment**

None.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. Consideration of approving the October 24, 2013 meeting minutes.**

Ms. Palos made a motion to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Ms. Henderson. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. REGULAR AGENDA: PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT**

**2. Consideration of approving an Angelo State University Honors Student Association proposal for a "Little Free Library" at one of the parks.**

Mr. White presented some background information and an introduction on the "Little Free Library". The Park Commission approved the proposal on November 20, 2013. Ms. Jennifer de Bie and Mr. Duncan Knox from the Angelo State University Honors Student Association presented additional information to the Board on the project, its goals and purpose. The pilot program would be set up at Kid's Kingdom Park and hopefully grow to additional parks. There is no cost to the City except to install the little library. The Honors Association will maintain and supply books as needed.

**3. Consideration of approving a proposal for the funding and construction of a new restroom facility at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park.**

Mr. White presented background information and introduced Mr. Sanford Mouton, a graduate student from Angelo State University and the Executive Director of Youth Achieving through Service and Sports, Inc. (YASS). Mr. Mouton stated that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park is in need of restroom facilities and has rounded up approximately one thousand volunteers and members of the community to help build the restroom facility. On January 20, 2014, National Service Day, these volunteers and other local business in the community will gather at the park to help out. Mr. Mouton asked the Board for approval as far as conception and approval to move forward with this project. Ms. Palos made a motion to approve the construction of a new restroom facility at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park as presented. Ms. Lane seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**4. Discussion concerning the lease of City property at Bart DeWitt Park adjacent to the old Vogel blacksmith shop owned by the Eggmeyers and any action in connection thereto.**

Mr. White presented some background information on the lease between the City of San Angelo and Eric Eggmeyer. Mr. Eggmeyer leased the property for five years with the intent of starting an outdoor historical agricultural museum with programs, exhibits and events which can be accessed by the public. The intent of the lease has not been met and a notice to vacate the property was sent on October 25, 2013. Mr. Eggmeyer stated that they have invested approximately \$50,000 in improvements to the property and are now working with Mr. Howard Taylor of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts and Mr. Del Velasquez from Downtown San Angelo to complete the museum. They are acquiring some farm implements from the Barrows Museum in Eola, Texas and they need to supply interpretive signs for the items on display. They have had a few events on the property. The Board discussed rescinding the lease termination and allowing the Eggmeyers six months to set up the museum with bi-monthly reports to the Board on the progress.

Mr. Dan Saluri with the City's Legal Department stated that the terms of the lease have expired; however, there is a hold over provision that provides a month to month lease. Notice was served to vacate the property on October 29. The City can withdraw the notice and the lease will continue on a month to month basis. Re-negotiation of

the lease is possible for a new lease that would provide new milestones and terms. Based on the failure of not ever meeting the intent of the original lease, the Parks & Recreation Department does not recommend re-negotiating a new lease. Mr. Barnhart made a recommendation to rescind the notice to vacate and allow Mr. Eggemeyer six months on a month-to-month basis to meet the terms of the original lease and report to the Board on a bi-monthly basis of the progress of the museum. Ms. Lane seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**5. Discussion concerning the River Fest event and consideration of approving the event as an annual one, sponsored and coordinated by the City of San Angelo, Parks and Recreation Department.**

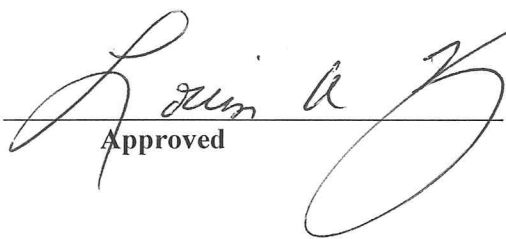
Mr. White presented a report on the River Fest; a copy of the report is included as a part of the permanent record. Staff is asking for a recommendation to take to City Council. The Board discussed moving the date to an earlier time due to the weather. Ms. Palos made a motion to recommend to Council to make the River Fest an annual event. Mr. Barnhart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**6. Discussion of future agenda items and consideration of approving whether or not to hold a December 2013 meeting and, if so, what date and time.**

The Parks & Recreation Department sent letters to the neighbors on the application for Red Arroyo property use for Upwards Soccer with no response. Mr. Campbell stated that he will not be available for a meeting on December 19.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Henderson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Palos. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

  
Approved