

**THE CITY OF SAN ANGELO, TEXAS
MINUTE RECORD OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARK COMMISSION**

Following notice and publication, the *Park Commission* convened in a regular meeting at **2:00 p.m.**, on **Thursday, October 13, 2021**, in the Conference Room, Santa Fe Crossing, 702 S. Chadbourne St., San Angelo, Texas.

Commissioners present were Mr. Don Griffis, Ms. Bisty Stone, and Ms. Allison Watkins.

Staff present was Mr. Carl White, Mr. Roger Havlak, Mr. Mike Hitchcock, and minutes were recorded by Ina Gray.

I. OPEN SESSION (2:00) P.M.

A. CAL TO ORDER

Mr. Griffis called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comments.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 MEETING MINUTES.

Ms. Stone moved to accept minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Allison. Minutes passed unanimously.

III. REGULAR AGENDA/PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT

2. UPDATE FROM TWO PRO MANAGEMENT ON THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE SANTA FE GOLF COURSE.

Mr. McNabb from Two Pro Management spoke regarding this item and mentioned revenues are down and have had to come out of pocket on expenses for this business. Mr. Havlak gave the Commission and overview and stated that Two Pro started contracting in 2010 and it has been renewed several times, the last time being in 2020 and it will expire in 2023. The water issue had been discussed in the past. In 2006, we were paying \$2.81 per 1000 gallons. We are now at almost \$7.00 per 1000 gallons. Cost has almost tripled with the same expectation and needs because the acreage has not changed. Since that time, the watering system has been converted to the water bubbler system for trees only. Meter readings are conducted prior to the watering and after to have an accurate amount of the amount of water we use for our watering and reimburse Two Pro for the water we use for the City to prevent Two Pro to come out of their pockets for our watering cost. Mr. McNabb has not made any management profits at this time. They currently have eleven members. Discussions were held. Per Mr. Havlak, water is the ultimate challenge for the golf course.

3. UPDATE ON TREE PLANTING AND DEAD TREE REMOVAL AT KIDS' KINGDOM AND SANTA FE GOLF COURSE.

Mr. Havlak presented pictures of the trees that will need to be removed due to the freeze. He informed the Commission about the type and location of the trees that will need to be replaced. There were several trees in Santa Fe Drive that were affected. Eighteen new small pecan trees were planted from Beauregard Street to the 8th Street ramp along the golf course side, fourteen survived the freeze, and will be replanting four. A total of thirty-two trees have been planted along the river and other park areas, with the generous donation of the Kiwanis Club. Discussions were held. Mr. Havlak stated his goal is to be able to water all of the trees from 14th Street to Bell Street in the next two years, and he is almost there.

4. UPDATE ON THE OVERALL CONDITION OF KIDS' KINGDOM PLAYGROUND STRUCTURES.

Mr. Hitchcock presented pictures and gave a thorough update of the condition of the Kids' Kingdom playground. Mr. Griffis asked what the cost would be to replace the playground. Mr. White stated it would be a minimum cost of \$500,000.00. Vivid pictures of the damage underneath the deck were presented. Discussions were held. Mr. Griffis stated to plan and get people committed to Friends of Kids' Kingdom and generate other funds as well as speaking with City Council. He stated that this will be a big project. Ms. Stone stated that it may be a good idea to start communicating with organizations that may want to help out with this project. Discussions were held. Mr. White mentioned the possible land acquisition next to Kids' Kingdom and the possibility of setting up a task force consisting of different groups to see how we can raise funds and interests for this.

5. CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATING A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PARK COMMISSION TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD AND ANY ACTION RELATED THERETO.

Mr. Griffis motioned for Ms. Allison to serve another term as representative of the Park Commission to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Ms. Stone seconded; motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. Kids' Kingdom Replacement Project, Updates or changes regarding Two Pro Club Management.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Griffis adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

Approved: Billy Stone

Date: 11-30-22