

Minutes
PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Regular Meeting
City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.
City Manager's Conference Room, 202
November 12, 2019
6:00 p.m.

Member absent: Gene Fitch Jr., Victor Garza, Drew Hayes

PARD Staff in attendance: Director Lori Smeby, Assistant Director Dan Baker, Assistant Director Yvonne Falgout, Superintendent of Parks, Shohn Rodgers, and Administrative Secretary Paula Vieregge

Attending Commission Members:

Steve Hendry – Vice Chairman
Daniel Burdette – Member
Pam Krause – Member

Glenn Folse – Member
Greg Kish – Member
Nancy Crowe - Member

1. Vice Chairman Steve Hendry called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. Visitor – Introduction of Shohn Rodgers and Kimberly Sisco.
3. Approval of Minutes
 - October 8, 2019 minutes were approved unanimously. Member Pam Krause made a motion to approve & member Nancy Crowe seconded the motion.
4. Presentations
 - Division Update - Parks Maintenance Report presented by Superintendent of Parks, Shohn Rodgers.
 - PARD Storm Response Report presented by Director Lori Smeby and Assistant Director Dan Baker.
 - Vice Chairman Steve Hendry introduced Councilman Steve Mitchell, to the group, as the City Council liaison. Councilman Mitchell spent a few moments letting the group know how happy he will be to serve with the group.
5. Action Items
 - Set the 2020 meeting dates – the 2020 calendar was accepted unanimously.
6. Discussion Items
 - Christmas Parade and Holiday Events Overview – Assistant Director Yvonne Falgout.
 - Proposed mountain bike trails – presented by Vice Chairman Steve Hendry. Member Pam Krause suggested putting it on the Open Space Masterplan. Director Lori Smeby recommended that the group might revisit the masterplan, since there are so many new members.
7. Director's Report
 - Duck Creek trail – Director Lori Smeby – final approval on the Duck Creek extension by Council and TX Dot. Will take about a year to complete.
 - Breckinridge trail project – Lori Smeby and Dan Baker – the \$250K Collin County grant was awarded.
 - Senior Center Renovation – Lori Smeby – At 50% construction documents, reviewing with architect; moving along.
 - Four TRAPS awards at regional conference – Lori Smeby – (1) Richardson East Rotary Club as Advocates of the Year, for Ann Eisemann Inclusive playground; (2) Corporate Challenge for special events; (3) Cottonwood Emerging Artists - Arts and Humanities; (4) Portals and Perimeter Trail Program - Park Design Excellence.
 - Moving 5K Runs into SCNA – Lori Smeby – races have gone smoothly. Still accessing full capacity. Parking is in two parking garages. Gobble Hobble has a 10K component. Will see how it works out.

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8. Department Calendar Items

- Saturday, 11/16, at 10am ribbon cutting for SCNA portals & perimeter trail.
- TX Tree Foundation Corporate group tree planting. LAN Engineering group will plant 25 trees in the south end of Cottonwood park on 11/19.
- Senior Center Thanksgiving luncheon invitation to the group.
- Calendar of Events from now until February 2020.
- Boards & Commissions dinner on December 11, 2019.
- Vice Chairman Steve Hendry invited Member Pam Krause to speak about her experience in the Parks & Recreation Commission during her 8 years with the group.

9. Items of interest

- Member Nancy Crowe – new bench in Crowley park. Getting ready for fall tree planting.
- Member Glenn Folse – proud of our city and wish Pam Krause all the best.
- Member Daniel Burdette – congratulations to Pam and thank you for LR.
- Member Greg Kish – thank you for your service Pam to the community & for your inspiration. Was blown away by the Corporate Challenge closing ceremony. Amazed at the money that's been raised.
- Incoming member Kim Sisco – is looking forward to joining the group.
- Vice Chairman Steve Hendry – acknowledged how the city handled the storm emergency. Honored to be a part of the city. Thank you for the dedication.

10. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Pam Krause and second by Daniel Burdette, voted unanimously. Vice Chairman Steve Hendry adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Paula Vieregge, City of Richardson Parks & Recreation Department

Minutes approved at January 14, 2020, regular meeting:

Gene Fitch, Chairman