

**CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS
PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, May 13, 2010 4:30 p.m. –
Parks, Recreation and Open Space Administration Office –
Carey Cox Memorial Park**

The Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board of the City of McKinney, Texas, met in regular session at the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Administration Office at Carey Cox Memorial Park on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at 4:33 p.m.

Board members present were: Craig Hagan, Manson (Sonny) Fee, Peter Bailey, John McCaskill, Chris McHale, David Clarke and Leslie Warren. Staff members present were Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph, Parks Maintenance Superintendent Tim White, Recreation Superintendent Charlie Bryant, Parks Development Superintendent Stephen Brainerd, Senior Parks Planner Jenny Baker and Administrative Assistant Charlene Craft. Also attending was Dave Willey of DWW Golf Management Company of Oak Hollow Golf Course.

Chairman Hagan presided.

Chairman Hagan began the agenda with the following Consent Item.

On a motion by Board Member Fee, seconded by Board Member McCaskill, the Board unanimously approved the following Consent Item with the changes that David Clarke was not present at the April 8, 2010 meeting as stated in the minutes.

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Chairman Hagan continued the agenda with the Regular Items.

Information/Discuss on Division Reports.	10-28
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Division Reports for Parks Maintenance, Recreation, Golf and Parks Development were reviewed by the Board.

Recreation Superintendent Bryant stated that the new Parks & Recreation guide has been mailed out and we are very excited about all the programs. "Jammin in June" is coming up and this is also a great event that we are looking forward to. He added that our swim programs are highly successful and that our Aquatics department has been handling over 4,000 participants per season. Recreation Superintendent Bryant responded to questions from the Board.

DWW Golf Management owner and Pro Willey invited the Board Members to attend the Grand Re-Opening of the new clubhouse at Oak Hollow Golf Course on May 27, 2010. Mr. Willey added that it is very beautiful at the golf course; the landscaping is amazing to see. He also stated that there are plans to have a “sports bar” atmosphere if and when a liquor license is issued. Mr. Willey responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Parks Maintenance Superintendent Tim White responded to questions and comments from the Board. Board Member Bailey and Board Member Clarke complimented Mr. White on the reduced vandalism evident at Dr. Charles McKissick Park stating that a great job is being done there.

Mr. White stated that the soccer fields have a lot of bare dirt down the middle and we are trying to re-establish the turf by installing sod. Adult teams tear up the fields more than the youth teams do. We also have La Crosse and youth flag football on the fields and as a result they are really showing the wear and tear. Chairman Hagan inquired about using artificial turf and Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph responded saying it would cost \$750,000 to cover a standard soccer field in artificial turf. It is very expensive and will only last about 8 years. It doesn't pay for itself. Mr. White added that aeration, fertilization and mowing are the best methods we can use.

Board Member Warren inquired as to whether a sign can be posted at Erwin Park stating no admittance after 10pm (for the safety of the campers). Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph responded saying yes we can place a sign at the entrance of Erwin Park.

Board Member McCaskill remarked that there were some La Crosse teams traveling to games in McKinney but the games had been cancelled; he felt that not enough notification time was given to the teams and suggested that this be improved upon next time. Recreation Superintendent Charlie Bryant and Parks Maintenance Superintendent Tim White responded saying that the cancellation announcement was made but the word didn't get out fast enough and hopefully this will not happen again.

Parks Development Superintendent Brainerd responded to questions from the Board regarding Carey Cox Memorial Park and the PROS Administration Office stating that currently there is still no electrical and the contractor, Rodman, is on the verge of

going under. We are holding \$125,000 until they make it all right; they are still working to complete everything at the PROS Administration Office and the park. Mr. Brainerd also announced the ribbon cutting ceremony coming up on May 26, 2010 and invited the Board Members to attend. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph added that the 3rd and 4th grade students from J.B. Wilmeth Elementary School will be in attendance for the ribbon cutting along with other guests. The Board will receive an invitation through email.

Responding to a question from Board Member Clarke regarding the progress of a contract for the Aquatics Facility, Mr. Brainerd stated that contracts are at City Hall for presentation to the City Council for review and a decision to move forward. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph added that City Council is 45 – 60 days away for review of the Aquatic Facility.

Responding to a question from Chairman Hagan regarding the progress of a tennis complex, Mr. Brainerd stated that we are moving along well and we are bringing Pogue Construction on-board to advise us on the best way to spend our money.

Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to Award a Construction Contract for the Grape Myrtle World Collection. 10-29

Parks Development Superintendent Brainerd requested that this item be Tabled as we need \$65,000 worth of soil from Baylor, at no charge, and we are waiting on the decision which should be made within the next week or so.

On a motion by Board Member Bailey, seconded by Board Member McCaskill, the Board unanimously approved to Table Agenda Item 10-29 to the June 10th Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting.

Consider/Discuss/Act on Route and Date of PROSAB Spring Tour of Parks and Recreation Facilities. 10-30

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph suggested the date of June 19, 2010 for a 4 hour tour to begin at 8:30am at the new PROS Administration Office at Carey Cox Memorial Park, adding that PROS will put together a list of facilities for the Board to visit with the exceptions of the Carey Cox office and Oak Hollow Clubhouse.

On a motion by Board Member McCaskill, seconded by Board Member Clarke, the Board unanimously approved the date of June 19, 2010 for the PROSAB Spring Tour of Parks and Recreation Facilities.

Citizen Comments.

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There were no citizen comments.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

CRAIG HAGAN, CHAIRMAN
MANSON (SONNY) FEE , VICE CHAIR