

MINUTES  
SPECIAL SESSION OF THE  
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006

The Board convened for their special meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office at 717 West Main Street, Arlington, Texas on December 4, 2006, notice of said meeting being posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, V.T.C.A., Government Code, with the following members and staff present, to wit:

**Members:**

Mr. Val Gibson	Chair	Place 8
Ms. Caron Montgomery	Vice-Chair	Place 3
Mr. Justin Martinez - absent	Member	Place 1
Ms. Candace Halliburton	Member	Place 5
Mr. Joseph Way	Member	Place 7
Mr. James Maibach - absent	Member	Place 4
Mr. Glenn Troutman - absent	Member	Place 9
Ms. Lynn Healy	Member	Place 2
Ms. Laura Capik	Member	Place 6
Mr. Alex English – absent	Youth Member	Place 10

**Staff:**

Pete Jamieson	Director of Parks and Recreation
Matt Young	Assistant Director – PARD
Jay Jacobs	Assistant Director - PARD
Gordon Robertson	Parks Planning Manager
Jennifer Chadwell	Assistant to the Director

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman Val Gibson called the Board Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**II. NOVEMBER 13, 2006 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Chairman Gibson asked for approval of the minutes. Ms. Capik made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2006 Board meeting. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS** – no discussion

**IV. SPECIAL SESSION OF THE PARK BOARD - ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**Comments from Citizens (about Items for Action)**

Citizen Jim Persons asked the Parks and Recreation Department and Park Board to consider approving the Veterans Park partnership grant. Mr. Persons read a letter from James L. Stone, retired U.S. Army Colonel, stating his support of the Veterans Park grant opportunity. Past Park Board member Anne Weydeck spoke in support of the Williams Elementary walking track. Citizen DeeDee Nursey spoke in favor of Butler Elementary and the Gibbins Park partnership grant.

**Park Partnership Funding Applications**

Chairman Gibson addressed citizen's concerns regarding the submission of many worthy funding

opportunities and applications. Mr. Robertson presented the Board with a slideshow regarding park partnership funding. Mr. Robertson also distributed a hand out with partnership rankings. Mr. Robertson stated that the top six proposals would be funded from the current \$170,000 budget. Mr. Gibson informed attending citizens about the City's Tomorrow Fund for those whose project proposal did not receive funding. Mr. Gibson stated that Mr. Maibach would not be voting since Mr. Maibach felt that all projects should be equally funded. Ms. Halliburton stated that she felt the same way.

Chairman Gibson called for a vote to approve the six park partnership applications proposed by Mr. Robertson. Mr. Way motioned for approval. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with five members in support and one abstention (Ms. Halliburton).

## **V. EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE PARK BOARD**

Discussion of matters permitted by the following session of V.T.C.A. Government Code, Chapter 551:

### **Section 551.072, Deliberation Regarding Real Property**

- a. The Board convened to Executive Session at 7:02 PM and deliberated real-estate as relevant to the Harold Patterson Sports Complex.

Chairman Gibson closed the executive session of the Park Board and reconvened the open session at 7:30 PM. Mr. Gibson told staff that he would like the Board to be informed of the deed restrictions of the Harold Patterson property and would also like to know when or if Fire Station #9 is scheduled for relocation. Chairman Gibson also asked staff to follow up with the Veterans Park Memorial citizen group and clarify the \$50K in funding. Chairman Gibson thanked the Board and Parks and Recreation staff for all their efforts and hard work regarding park partnership grant opportunities.

## **VI. Adjourn**

Mr. Gibson adjourned the Park Board meeting at 7:35 PM.