

MINUTES

**State of Texas
County of Denton
City of Justin**

Justin Parks and Recreation Committee – April 7, 2014

The Justin Parks and Recreation Committee convened into a regular meeting the same being open to the public the 7th day of April at 6:00 p.m. at the Justin Municipal Complex, and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject thereof having been posted as prescribed by Article 5 of the Texas Government Code, with the following members present and in attendance to wit:

Justin Parks and Recreation Committee Members: Chairman David Speicher, Jean Ann Chambers, Ola Sykora and alternate Larry Hefner. Director of Community Services Jon Wells and Assistant City Secretary Elaine Woods were also in attendance.

Guests: None.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. CONSENT ITEMS**

Discuss, Consider and Act to Approve the Justin Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes of February 3, 2014.

Committee Member Jean Ann Chambers made a Motion to Approve the Justin Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes of February 3rd, 2014. Committee Member Ola Sykora seconded the Motion. Vote was unanimous.

- V. ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Discuss and Update Regarding Concession/Restroom Building.

City Community Services Director Jon Wells informs the Committee that the new building is getting closer to completion and that the recent rain has set the construction back a few days. Oncor has set electric poles; however, their electrician must wait until the building is set in order to wire electricity. Beck's Plumbing will be doing the plumbing once building is in place.

2. Discuss and Update from EDC Director Shani Ihnfeldt on Justin Fun Days 2014.

Shani was unable to attend meeting. Chairman David Speicher advised committee to spread the word about Justin Fun Days and encourage friends and family to participate.

3. Discuss and Act on Parks and Recreation Committee Appointments, Terms and Organization.

Chairman David Speicher suggested that this item be tabled until City Manager Ashley Stathatos is able to attend so that she may inform members of ordinances governing committee appointments and terms.

4. Discuss and Consider Farmers' Market, 4th of July Celebration, Kids' Day at the Park, Christmas in the Park, Veterans Memorial, Artists in the Park, Movie Night at the Park.

Member Ola Sykora has researched putting together a Farmers' Market and has concluded that more research needs to be put into health regulations regarding the sale of fresh produce. Ola suggested that farmers possibly be able to sell produce that is out of season, but is canned. Larry Hefner mentioned that many surrounding cities such as Roanoke, Haslet and Grapevine have successful Farmers' Markets. Chairman David Speicher informed the committee that many cities work with organizations that will plan and implement Farmers' Markets. Ola will look into this option and update the committee at next meeting.

Committee Member Jean Ann Chambers suggested that the City plan and implement an Art in the Park event. Jean Ann has been in contact with a local art teacher who has volunteered to help get this event going. Jean Ann suggested that prizes be awarded for the artwork presented.

5. Discuss and Consider a Kids' Fishing Day.

Chairman David Speicher suggested the City of Justin host an annual fishing day for children and their families. The City would provide fishing poles, bait, bobbers and other supplies needed for fishing. Roanoke's Fishing Day brought in over 800 participants. Fishing would be catch and release only, and could take place at Tally Park or Reatta Park. Member Larry Hefner suggested that we contact Cabela's to inquire as to whether or not they could assist the City in funding or supplies for this event.

6. Discuss and update from Assistant City Secretary Elaine Woods on Easter Egg Hunt.

Assistant City Secretary Elaine Woods reminded the committee that the annual Easter Egg Hunt would be coming up on Saturday, April 12th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. She asked if any members would like to volunteer to help, and all members agreed to assist. It was suggested that a sign be placed on all doors at City Hall reminding attendees that the event would take place on the ball fields near the elementary school.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Member Jean Ann Chambers made a Motion to Adjourn. Committee Member Ola Sykora seconded the Motion. Vote was unanimous.

ELAINE WOODS
Assistant City Secretary