



City of Keller

Parks & Recreation Board

Meeting Minutes

Keller Town Hall
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Thursday, February 13, 2020

PRE-MEETING BRIEFING 6:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER - Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira

Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following board members were present:

Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira
Nicholas Anderson
Jay Blakey
Adam Dougherty
Jenilee Harwell
Thomas Hixson
Judy Sether
Bryan Weaver

The following staff members present were: Director of Community Services Cody Maberry, Recreation Manager Kyle Cooper, The Keller Pointe Manager Jennifer Oakes and Administrative Secretary Debbie Park. Guests present were: President of Keller Lacrosse Association Sean Meskill, Director of Communication for Keller Lacrosse Association Neil Healy, and President of the Keller Community Senior Fund Carol Rubino.

B. WORK SESSION

1. [Receive update on KDC Matching Grant Application from Keller Lacrosse](#)

Discussion was held regarding the matching grant application submitted to the KDC by the Keller Lacrosse Association for a lacrosse field located in the Keller Sports Park. Sean Meskill President of the Keller Lacrosse Association reviewed the request for staff and board members. Staff created the RFP for the project with seven companies submitting bids, the lowest bid submitted was \$210,000 and the highest bid was \$443,000. The Keller Lacrosse Association is prepared to match fifty percent of the cost for the construction of the field up to \$105,000. The lacrosse field would be used only for lacrosse games and tournaments, no practices would be allowed on the field.

Motion by Weaver, seconded by Hixson to support the Keller Lacrosse Association submission of a matching grant proposal to the KDC for a lacrosse field at the Keller Sports Park.

Motion passed, all present voting aye.

Motion by Weaver, seconded by Blakey for the KDC to consider a matching grant of up to fifty percent, approximately \$105,000 for a lacrosse field at the Keller Sports Park for the Keller Lacrosse Association.

Motion passed, all present voting aye.

2. [Receive update from Park Board Members](#)

Jay Blakey gave an update regarding parkrun. The run is averaging around 30 participants each week. People from all over the state and other countries continue to attend the events. Felix Mira suggested staff promote parkrun through social media with a Facebook Live event. Organizers of other running events have asked to partner with parkrun and details for those requests are still being considered. Board Member Nicholas Anderson asked about the Northeast Park and plans to develop that area. The suggestion was made to add the discussion of Northeast Park to the March agenda to review previous discussions and data.

3. [Receive update on Park Construction Projects](#)

Director of Community Services Cody Maberry gave an update on current construction projects and answered board questions related to update.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

1. [Staff Announcements](#)

Cody Maberry announced the Keller Community Senior Fund "Jazz Brunch" on Sunday, March 14 at 11:00 a.m. at Sky Creek Ranch. Maberry discussed issues at the K9 Pointe dog park concerning aggressive dogs and pet owners not picking up after their dogs. Staff is installing new signs to remind pet owners of park rules and staff is supplying tools to help owners pick up pet waste. Maberry announced Parks Development and Maintenance Manager Gary Davis is retiring on February 29, 2020. Felix Mira suggested dedicating a tree in Overton Ridge Park for Gary and installing a plaque in honor of his service to the city. Kyle Cooper announced upcoming events and volunteer opportunities at the events for board members. The upcoming events include Yappy Hour at the K9 Pointe each Friday in March from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., the Spring Egg Scramble on April 4 at Bear Creek Park at 9:30 a.m. and Trash Bash on April 18 at Bear Creek Park starting at 9:00 a.m. Cooper announced the Parks and Recreation Department received the DFW Directors Award for Inclusion in recognition of the Sense of Adventure series.

D. ADJOURN

Motion by Blakey, seconded by Harwell to adjourn the Work Session.

Motion passed, all present voting aye.

Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira adjourned the Work Session at 7:03 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER – Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira

Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

B. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

This is a time for the public to address the Board/Commission on any subject. However, the Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Board/Commission from discussing issues which the public has not been given seventy-two (72) hours' notice. Issues raised may be referred to City Staff for research and possible future action.

No public comments were made.

C. MINUTES

1. [Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2020](#)

Motion by Weaver, seconded by Blakey to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion passed, all present voting aye.

D. ADJOURN

Motion by Hixson, seconded by Weaver to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

Motion passed, all present voting aye.

Vice-Chairperson Felix Mira adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Chairperson

Staff Liaison