

Regular Meeting Minutes
Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting

Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

118. E. Richmond St.

Giddings, Texas

1. Open Meeting-Crystal Scott opened the meeting at 6:01 p.m. Monday, December 7, 2023.
Crystal Scott presented the invocation before the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance. City Secretary Andrea Ray announced Martin Rangel would like to withdraw from the Parks Board at this time. Need to find a replacement at this time.

With Board Members present: Crystal Scott (Chair) (Vice Chair) Mark Muiz, Tiffany Albrecht, Tony Francis, Darrell Sanders. Not Present April Gaitan and Martin Rangel.

Staff present- Mayor Joel Lopez, City Manager Spence Schneider, Secretary Andrea Ray, Supervisor Parks, Cemetery and Golf Course Justin Kessler, Public Director of Public Services Kenny Ray.

2. Pledges were said.
3. Discuss electing a chairperson; take action on same.

A motion was made by Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders and seconded by Parks Board Member Tony Francis to elect Crystal Scott as Chairperson for 2024.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

4. Discuss electing a Chair; take action on same.

A motion was made by Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Mark Muniz to elect Tiffany Albrecht as Vice Chair for 2024.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

5. Take Action on Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on Monday, September 18, 2023.

A motion was made Vice Chair Tiffany Albrecht and seconded by Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders to approve the Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on, Monday, September 18, 2023.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

6. Discuss and take action regarding the update on the Hilton Lee Smith Baseball Field.

Vice Chair Tiffany Albrecht stated she had checked prices on equipment needed to update the Hilton Lee Smith Baseball Field. Suggestions include: 2 Bat Rack's @ \$199.00 each, 2 Mount Helmet Tree @ 314.99 each, Home Plate At \$189.00, Bleachers @ \$ 1902.00 and \$3099.00. The baseball field will need a new sign and frame est. cost @ \$2000.00. The fence will need repair due to slack in it. No est. on the fence. The board discussed to do the projects in phases, all the equipment will be done in Phase One. The board discussed to spend a limit of \$10,000.00 only. This will go in front of City Council to be determined if approved.

A motion was made Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Mark Muniz to approve the expenditure and update the Hilton Lee Smith Baseball Field with Phase One and go in front of City Council.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

7. Discuss and take action regarding the temporary donation form for the City of Giddings Park.

City Secretary Andrea Ray asked for the temporary donation form to be approved by the Parks Board. Chair Crystal Scott spoke on a plan and paperwork to work on donations for our City Parks.

A motion was by Tiffany Albrecht and seconded by Tony Francis to approve the temporary donation form for the City Of Giddings Parks.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

8. Discuss and take action regarding Veterans Park, Simmang Park, "Whistle Stop Park.

Public Director of Public Services Kenny Ray stated the LCRA Helping Hands Project will paint the bathrooms. The color will be gold for the inside:

A motion made by Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders to have LCRA come in and paint the bathrooms gold.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

Vice Chair Tiffany Albrecht requested a project approval for permission to repair and replace the fence around the softball field and minor baseball field. Tiffany is currently getting quotes. Hoping to have the fields done before February 2024. The little league requested help with minor baseball field restoration due to helicopter damage Tiffany asked if there are any funds to help with this project. It was brought up to check with the GEDC and Lee County to help with funds as well.

A motion was made by Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders and seconded by Parks Board Member Tony Francis to repair the fences on the softball field and minor field.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Scott, Albrecht, Sanders, Muniz, Francis

Nays: None

9. Discuss the Union Public Safety Department meeting Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 11:00 a.m-12:00 p.m.

The Parks Board was given this notice to remind everyone about the meeting. Chair Crystal Scott stated bids for the fences will be discussed and a plan made with the Union Public Safety Department and placement of the fence around the Whistle Stop Park for safety concerns.

10. Next Meeting – Wednesday, January 24, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. City Council Chambers.

11. Adjournment Crystal Scott adjourned at 7:25 p.m. on Thursday December 7, 2023 for the Public Parks & Playground regular meeting.

ATTEST:


Andrea Ray, City Secretary




Board Chairperson Signature