

Regular Meeting Minutes
Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

118. E. Richmond St.

Giddings, Texas

- 1. Open Meeting and Invocation** - Chair Tiffany Albrecht opened the meeting at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2025. Parks Board Member Tony Francis gave the Invocation.
Board Members Present: Chair Tiffany Albrecht, ~~Vice Chair Janie Wooldridge~~, Darrel Sanders, Tony Francis, Crystal Luna. Not Present: April Gaitan, Vice Chair Janie Wooldridge, Joe Rangel.
Chair Tiffany Albrecht stated at this April Gaitan has resigned from Public Parks and Playground Board.

Staff present- Mayor Joel Lopez, Interim City Manager Heather Garner, Secretary Andrea Ray, Supervisor Parks & Cemetery Justin Kessler, Director of Public Services Kenny Ray.

2. Pledges were said.

- 3. Discuss and take Action on Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on Wednesday August 13, 2025.**

A motion was made Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders to approve the Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

- 4. Discuss and take action to receive an update from Interim City Manager/ Finance Director Heather Garner on the funds regarding the Smith Filed.**

Interim City Manager/ Finance Director Heather Garner stated she spoke to our city auditors, even if it was a verbal agreement and nothing written on paper, it would be wise to move the parks department and use the money for the field only. The house sold for \$32,105.12; the city has spent the 470.00 on the sign, bat racks 319.98, plate, helmet rack 629.27, benches 2099.98 leaving a balance of \$28,585.19. So, we will move this into the parks improvement fund we use that make improvements to the field and will help with \$12,000.00 situation.

These funds will come out of general fund. Director of Public Services Kenny Ray spoke in the lighting for the Smith Field. Kenny stated he spoke to Diane Schuzle with TxDOT and we can place lighting on the field as long as it doesn't interfere with traffic coming into the town. Kenny stated the cost will be will 3 metal poles at a cost per \$140,000.00 with led lights you are looking at a total of \$420,000.00.

Chair Tiffany Albrecht stated now that we know we can put lights up there the Little League can apply for grants to help with the cost.

NO ACTION TAKEN

- 5. Discuss and take action to receive a donation from the Beautification Committee on the murals at Veterans Park for the Press Boxes.**

Chair Tiffany Albrecht discussed the she has reached out to three different painters for murals and is waiting on Cost for murals. Tiffnay stated the Beautification Committee would like to look at the murals before they are painted. Interim City Manager/ Finance Director Heather Garner stated in the Beautification Committee meeting they vote on to give the \$6000.00 to have the murals painted.

NO ACTION TAKEN

6. Discuss and take action to receive an update on the press boxes windows from Parks Supervisor Justin Kessler. Supervisor Parks & Cemetery Justin Kessler stated the quote he received from Exner Contracting if for the windows @ \$9,6660.00 and have the press boxes painted would be \$7450.00 for a total of @ \$17,110.00. Chair Tiffany Albrecht asked this time where the money come from? Interim City Manager/ Finance Director Heather Garner stated we could ask GEDC for funds for the repairs needed to the press boxes. Heather will go to GEDC and ask for funds for the window and painting project for the press boxes.

NO ACTION TAKEN

7. Discuss and take action to receive an update on the soccer fields at Simmang Park from Joe Rangel.

Chair Tiffany Albrecht asked this to be postponed and brought to the next Parks Board Meeting.

NO ACTION TAKEN

8. Discussion and take possible action regarding Veterans Park Splash Pad, Simmang Park, Veterans Memorial Park, City of Giddings Swimming Pool, Whistle Stop Park.

No discussion at this time.

NO ACTION TAKEN

9. Discuss and take action regarding to set a time and date for the next meeting.

A motion was made by Parks Member Tony Frnaxis and seconded by Darell Sanders to set time and date for the next meeting to be Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

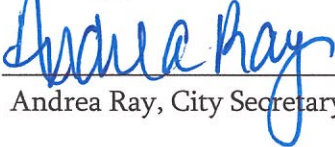
Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

10. Adjournment Chair Tiffany Albrecht adjourned at 6:41 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9,2025 for the Public Parks & Playground regular meeting.

ATTEST:



Andrea Ray, City Secretary





Board Chairperson Signature