

MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF PRINCETON  
REGULAR PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY  
BOARD MEETING OF JULY 3, 2008

The Princeton Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting met in regular session in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 306 Main Street, on July 3, 2008.

The following Commission Members were present: Teresa Noble, Randy Hosier, Michelle Keefe, and Yvonne Moore. Absent Commission Members were: Dayna Johnson, Jason West, Vice-Chairman, and Debbie Hamby. The following staff members were present: Cathy Dunkel, Economic Development, and Lee Lawrence, City Administrator.

Cathy Dunkel called the meeting to Order at 7:01. Ms. Dunkel gave roll call and certified that a quorum was present, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Randy Hosier.

**Regular Agenda:**

1. "Discussion and recommendation to the City Council the applications to serve on the Princeton Parks & Recreation Board." Mr. Lee Lawrence explained that citizens of the ETJ or at least relatively close to the ETJ would be eligible to serve on the Board. He urged the members to let anyone know about the openings that they felt would benefit the Board. He stated that the expiring terms ended in July, and new terms would begin at the August meeting.

2. "Discussion regarding a Princeton Parkland Dedication Ordinance." A copy of the ordinance was included in the packet. It was discussed that this Ordinance was prepared by the Board and approved twice before to go before Council. Mr. Lawrence

stated that since it was not adopted, he would like for the current board to approve it again to go before Council.

Yvonne Moore asked how the Board could be assured that the approved Ordinance would get to Council this time, and not fall through the cracks as in the past. Mr. Lawrence assured her and the Board that it he and Ms. Dunkel would see to it that this approved Ordinance would be on the Agenda for the July 22, 2008 City Council meeting.

Michelle Keefe moved to re-approve the Princeton Parkland Dedication Ordinance and present it to Council for adoption at the July 22, 2008 meeting. Second was made by Randy Hosier. The motion carried unanimously.

3. "Discussion regarding to increase the Park Improvement Fee." Mr. Lawrence presented a hand-out with examples of the Improvement Fee schedule used by Anna. He stated that Princeton is currently collecting \$100 for the Park Improvement Fee, and this was not enough. He added that the fees on the example from Anna were a little low, but was an idea of the schedule the City of Princeton should consider.

Cathy Dunkel presented ideas for fund raising which included \$1 added on to the water bill to go toward the City Parks, as in Anna. It was brought the Boards attention that the Fire Department is already doing that on Princeton's water bill. Mr. Lawrence stated that there would be other fund raisers that could benefit parks, such as selling bricks with names engraved. He stated that this has been profitable in other cities.

**Report Agenda:**

Chairman: None

Vice-chairman: None

Board Members: Randy Hosier stated that he had gone out to the Community/POW Park. He stated that the landscaping was in progress and looked good. He also advised the sign, flag poles and new bleachers were nice and that he could see positive things happening there.

**Report or Updates from City Staff:**

Mr. Lawrence presented the completed plan of the Community/POW Park. He explained grants and funding process for completing the plans for the Park.

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Community Event: City Booth – Cathy Dunkel advised the Board that the Parks & Recreation Board will have a booth at the event from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Fireworks will begin at 9:30.

Ms. Dunkel also advised that Collin County Ready Mix had donated concrete. There will be plaques on the concrete for recognition. The Board was very appreciative of the donation by Collin County Ready Mix, who also asked that we keep them informed of needs they could help us with.

**Report Items and/or Requests for the Board:**

The next meeting will be held August 7, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**Adjournment:**

Teresa Noble moved to adjourn the meeting. Yvonne Moore made the second. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.