

Park Board
March 7, 2024

A regular meeting of the City of Waxahachie Park Board was held on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Hatchet Conference Room at the Charles Beatty Municipal Services Building, 408 S. Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas.

Members Present: Chad Hicks, Chairman
Andrew Henderson, Vice Chairman
Jenny Bridges
Charles Beatty, Jr.

Members Absent: Dr. William Major (Resigned)
Julissa Martinez

Others Present: Kyle Cooper, Director of Parks & Recreation
Brad Barnes, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director
Yadira Campos, Administrative Coordinator
David Hill, City Mayor
Gumaro Martinez, Executive Director of Parks & Leisure Services

1. Call to Order

Chairman Chad Hicks called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comments

Dominik Lange with the Skate Park Initiative provided an updated count of skate park supporters as follows:

- 655 Waxahachie resident votes for a skate park.
- 565 surrounding area votes for a skate park.
- 118 other surrounding area votes for a skate park.

Mr. Lange stated there are 1,338 local supporters and 1,700 supporters across the United States.

3. Consider approval of minutes of the Park Board meeting of January 4, 2024

Action:

Andrew Cecil Hendrson moved to approve the minutes of the Park Board meeting of January 4, 2024. Motion was seconded by Charles Beatty, Jr. and carried unanimously (4-0).

4. Hear update on Life Jacket Loaner Program

The Item was presented by Gumaro Martinez, member of Leadership Ellis County. Mr. Martinez shared that metal has been purchased for the life jacket cabinet and Leadership Ellis County will partner with the Waxahachie Independent School District welding class to construct the cabinet.

Mr. Hicks inquired about the opening of Boat Dock Park. City staff replied that they are projecting the Boat Dock Park to be completed by the end of May.

5. Hear update on park activities and events

The Item was presented by Kyle Cooper, Director of Parks & Recreation. Mr. Cooper gave an update on Boat Dock Project, Mustang Creek Project, Lee Penn Pool and Parks Department Spring Break event.

Mr. Cooper asked to combine agenda item 5 & 6. He also asked to move up agenda item 8 to be presented after agenda 5.

6. Hear update on park projects

Item was combined with item 5.

8. Organize design review committee for North Grove Park

Mr. Cooper presented the Item and asked for two Park Board members to volunteer to serve on the design review committee for North Grove Park. Mr. Henderson and Jenny Bridges volunteered to serve on the committee.

7. Discuss 5-Year Capital Improvement Projects

Mr. Cooper asked the board what items in the 5-Year Capital Improvements would they want to move around. The board further discussed and concluded on the top 3 items for the 5-Year CIP as follows:

- 2025 Parks Master Plan
- Lions Park Project
- Lake Waxahachie Project

9. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yadira Campos
Administrative Coordinator