



City of Brenham Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, beginning at 12:02 pm at the All Sports Building – Hohlt Park, at 137 Lounge Road Brenham, Texas.

Members present:

Bill Betts
Paula Buls
Jim Baker
Lee Chalmers
Delbert Boeker
Andrea Fischer
Ginger Bosse
Tina Henderson
Dusty Robinson

Members absent:

None

Others present:

Public Works Director Dane Rau, Casey Redman, Tammy Jaster, Crystal Locke

Others present:

JC Robinson, Kathy Boer, Linda Thomas, Mark Klimowicz

Media Present:

Mark Whitehead, KWHI News and Alyssa Faykus, Brenham Banner Press

1. Call Meeting to Order

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Liaison Crystal Locke called the meeting to order.

2. Citizens/Visitor Comments

Citizen Linda Thomas stated that this year marked 20 years of advocating for a handicap parking lot at the Blue Bell Aquatic Center and noted that City Management indicated this project would be addressed this year. Thomas asked the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to support the handicap parking lot at the Blue Bell Aquatic Center.

Public Works Director Dane Rau added that staff received renderings for the modified Phase II of the Blue Bell Aquatic Center, identifying the handicap parking lot.

3. Introduction of New Board Members

Community Services Specialist Crystal Locke introduced and welcomed the two new Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members, Dr. Tina Henderson, and Dusty Robinson.

4. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for a Term of One (1) Year

A motion was made by Board Member Jim Baker and seconded by Board Member Delbert Boeker to re-elect Bill Betts as Chairperson.

The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Board Member Jim Baker	Yes
Board Member Bill Betts	Yes
Board Member Delbert Boeker	Yes
Board Member Ginger Bosse	Yes
Board Member Paula Buls	Yes
Board Member Lee Chalmers	Yes
Board Member Tina Henderson	Yes
Board Member Andrea Fischer	Yes
Board Member Dusty Robinson	Yes

A motion was made by Board Member Delbert Boeker and seconded by Board Member Paula Buls to elect Ginger Bosse as Vice-Chairperson.

The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Board Member Jim Baker	Yes
Board Member Bill Betts	Yes
Board Member Delbert Boeker	Yes
Board Member Ginger Bosse	Yes
Board Member Paula Buls	Yes
Board Member Lee Chalmers	Yes
Board Member Tina Henderson	Yes
Board Member Andrea Fischer	Yes
Board Member Dusty Robinson	Yes

WORK SESSION

5. Presentation and Discussion Related to Brenham Pickleball League

Citizen Kathy Boeer, President of the Brenham Pickleball League, introduced herself. Citizen JC Robinson presented this item. Robinson, Vice President of the Brenham Pickleball League, discussed the League's past, present, and future with the Board. Robinson explained how the Club plans to grow the League through community involvement, such as offering youth summer camps, junior development camps, introduction classes, Family Day pickleball experiences, and tournaments. Robinson elaborated on tournaments and explained the types of pickleball tournaments and the benefits, such as tourism, hotel stays, and weekend activity. Robinson further explained that to host tournaments, more pickleball courts are needed. Robinson added that time is of the essence.

Board Member Ginger Bosse questioned dual-use and asked whether the High School tennis courts could be used. Robinson explained the difficulties of hosting an event at multiple venues.

Board Member Paula Buls asked about the cost to build pickleball courts. Robinson replied that his research suggests \$30,000-\$60,000 per court. Robinson noted the League recommends 20-25 pickleball courts along with stadium courts. Rau added that Robinson and Boeer previously presented the information to staff, and a pickleball complex is in the 7-year Capital Improvement Plan for Parks and Recreation.

6. Discussion and Update Related to the Brenham Family Park Design and Construction

Public Works Director Dane Rau opened the discussion. Rau explained that since the last Board meeting, the Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) application for the Brenham Family Park was prepared and sent to the National Park Service for pre-application review in late December. Rau noted that an Archeological Survey was required through the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and added that the City contracted SWCA Environmental Consultants in early December. A draft report was submitted to THC on January 5, 2021. Rau informed the Board that the Council approved the planning, surveying, and civil engineering services contract from Jones | Carter at the February 4, 2021 meeting. Rau added that staff will begin meeting regularly with Jones | Carter to discuss the park's layout and design elements. Rau noted the grant agreement execution is planned for April 2021, and staff is hopeful to begin construction in August 2021.

7. Discussion and Update on Parks and Recreation Projects Funded in FY20-21

Public Works Director Dane Rau presented this item. Rau explained to the Board that the Brenham Community Development Corporation (BCDC) approved \$1,019,500 for various park and recreation projects and updated the Board on each project's status.

	Description	Budget Request	Status
First Quarter (Oct-Dec)	Sidewalk Repairs – Fireman's Park	\$15,000	Completed
	Replace Roof – Blue Bell Aquatic Center	\$73,500	Completed
	Upgrade to Accu Tab & Acid Rite System – BBAC	\$25,000	Completed
	Add Playground - Jerry Wilson (deferred from 2020)	\$85,000	Arrival March 15
	Resurface two (2) tennis courts – Hasskarl	\$15,000	Completed
	Christmas Stroll Programming	\$5,000	Postponed
Request for FY21 First Quarter		\$218,500	

	Description	Budget Request	Status
Second Quarter (Jan-Mar)	Replace Outfield Wall - Fireman's Field	\$80,000	To be determined
	Resurface two BB fields with MasterTurf – Linda Anderson	\$27,500	Completed
	Refurbish Big Yellow Slide – BBAC	\$30,000	80% Complete
	Refurbish Banana Split Slide – BBAC	\$20,000	Sent to vendor
	Conceptual/Engineering Design – Phase II(a)	\$10,000	In progress
	Splashpad Phase II – Henderson Park	\$250,000	15% Complete
Request for FY21 Second Quarter		\$417,500	

	Description	Budget Request	Status
Third Quarter (April-June)	Replace Landing Pads for Leisure Pool – BBAC	\$8,500	In progress
	Covered Basketball Courts – Jackson Street Park	\$125,000	Received BuyBoard quote
	Improvements - Jerry Wilson Park	\$120,000	Design in progress
Request for FY21 Third Quarter		\$253,500	

	Description	Budget Request	Status
Fourth Quarter (July-Sept)	Movies in the Park	\$4,000	Upcoming
	Renovations - Blinn Softball Field (deferred from 2020)	\$25,000	Issue PO 07/21
	Repaint Steel Beams & Replaster Competition Pool and add New Handicap Lift	\$101,000	Issue PO 08/21
Request for FY21 Fourth Quarter		\$130,000	
Total Budget Requests		\$1,019,500	

8. Presentation and Discussion Related to Fiscal Year 2021-22 Funding from the Brenham Community Development Corporation (BCDC) for Various Parks and Recreation Projects

Public Works Director Dane Rau presented this item. Rau explained that staff has identified parks and recreation projects to present to the Brenham Community Development Corporation (BCDC) for funding and is looking for guidance from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Blue Bell Aquatic Center (BBAC)

	Fiscal Year	Description	Budget Request
Tier I	2022	Replace/add Shade Structures	\$50,000
	2022	Replace Metal Furniture (final phase)	\$50,000
	2022	Sealant on Exterior Brick	\$30,000
	2022	Additional Aflex Inflatables	\$12,000
	2022	Refurbish and repaint mini playscape in the leisure pool	\$10,000
	2022	Replace lane ropes in comp pool	\$5,000
	2022	Update front desk area in the lobby	\$25,000
	2022	Replace UV bulbs – a leisure pool	\$7,500
	2022	Update the sound system and add digital displays	\$75,000
	2022	Refurbish epoxy/vinyl fence (every 5-7 years)	\$10,000
	2022	Modified Phase II(a)	\$500,000
Budget Request for FY22			\$774,500

Recreation

	Fiscal Year	Description	Budget Request
Tier I	2022	5-Year Update – Brenham Parks and Recreation Master Plan	\$6,180
	2022	Movies in the Park	\$4,000
	2022	Christmas displays – Walk-Thru Parks	\$15,000
Total Recreation Request for FY22			\$25,180

Parks

	Fiscal Year	Description	Budget Request
Tier I	2022	Brenham Family Park	\$110,000
	2022	Bullpen Upgrades - Hohlt Park	\$30,900
	2022	Resurface Parking Lot - Linda Anderson	\$82,400
	2022	Phase I Improvements – Jackson Street Park	\$550,000
	2022	Turf Homeplate – Schulte Field	\$14,450
	2022	Repaint Iron Bridges – Henderson (2) & Hohlt	\$92,700
	2022	Phase II Carousel Horses – Fireman's Park	\$33,200
	2022	Replace Scoreboard – Kenjura Field	\$46,350
	2022	Roof Repairs – Parks Department Shop	\$24,720
	2022	Comprehensive Park Signage	\$27,600
	2022	Replace Play Equipment – Hattie Mae Flowers	\$72,100
Budget Request for FY22			\$1,084,420
Budget Request Tier I (Recreation, BBAC, Parks)			\$1,884,100

REGULAR SESSION

9. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes from the December 9, 2020, Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Board Member Andrea Fischer and seconded by Board Member Delbert Boeker to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2020, regular meeting.

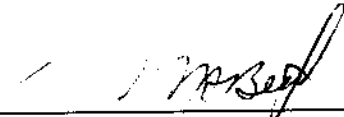
Chairperson Bill Betts called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Board Member Jim Baker	Yes
Board Member Bill Betts	Yes
Board Member Delbert Boeker	Yes
Board Member Ginger Bosse	Yes
Board Member Paula Buls	Yes
Board Member Lee Chalmers	Yes
Board Member Tina Henderson	Yes
Board Member Andrea Fischer	Yes
Board Member Dusty Robinson	Yes

10. Parks and Recreation Staff Updates

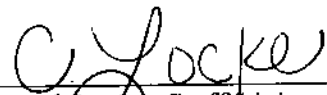
- Community Services Specialist Crystal Locke reported completed projects, work in progress, and future programs and events.
- Blue Bell Aquatic Center Superintendent Tammy Jaster reported statistics for the Blue Bell Aquatic Center, staffing, maintenance, programs, and usage.
- Parks Superintendent Casey Redman reported on maintenance updates.

The meeting was adjourned.



Bill Betts, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Crystal Locke, Staff Liaison