

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JONESTOWN PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 28, 2022, 7:00 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 18649 FM 1431, SUITE 3A, JONESTOWN, TEXAS.

Chair: Michael Latos (Place 2) Vice Chair: Patricia Buckley (Place 4)	VACANT (Place 1) Colleen O'Brien (Place 3) Darrel Dansby (Place 5)	VACANT (Alternate 1) VACANT (Alternate 2)
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A. ITEMS OPENING MEETING:

• **CALL TO ORDER**

CHAIR MYKAL LATOS

Chair Latos called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

• **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairman Latos, Vice Chair Buckley, Members O'Brien and Dansby
Staff Present: James Herrera, Alderwoman Linda Bush, City Administrator Steve Jones
Guest Present: Katrina Baldizan

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

February 16, 2022, Meeting minutes were not available for review. Postponed approval to the next regular meeting.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Meeting was opened to the citizens for their communications. Katrina Baldizan of Lura Lane attended the parks board meeting for informational purposes. She expressed an interest in helping with more music festivals.

C. GENERAL BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS:

• **Report from James Herrera, Director of Public Works.**

James Herrera provided the status of the current park related projects including:

Upgrading the entry sign to Jones Brothers Park

Adding the shade structure and fencing to the tots-scape in JBP

Installing a four-foot-high chain link fence around the tots-scape. The fence will have a smooth coated top for safety.

• **Discussion and possible action on future park improvements and possible city events.**

James Herrera updated the board on the items approved in the 2021-2022 budget and noted that the estimates are below current costs especially for resurfacing the tennis court.

Events- \$30,000

Upgrade Volleyball Court-\$10,000

Resurface Tennis Court- \$8,000

Canyonland Trail Imps. - \$5,500
 Shady Park Master Plan-\$20,000
 Shady Park Perimeter Fence/trellis-\$3,500
 Pecan Park Upgrade & Clean Up-\$3,500
 Composite Park Plan-Bond Fund-\$10,000
 Add'l Ventek Machine for JBP-\$13,000
 Total Budget is \$75,000

Discussion was held on potential upcoming Events including:

Free Friday Flicks: May 6 and June 3

CajunFest: April 2 (Sponsor: Chamber of Commerce)

Easter Egg Hunt: April 16 (Sponsor: Library)

Teddy Bear Picnic: May 7 (Sponsor: Library)

Back to School: August

JTown Festival: Sept 24

(Events held for this fiscal year included Spooky Movie & Hometown Holiday)

The January and February Drive-In Movie Nights were not held due to lack of staff. There was discussion about utilizing the funds for additional music events.

City Administrator Jones indicated that the city was looking to hire a Parks and Rec Coordinator to focus on grant writing, events coordination and social media and community outreach.

- **Discussion and possible action on an annual pass for non-Jonestown Citizens to use the park.**

Revenue from Ventek at JBP:	January	February
2021	\$8580	\$5760
2022	\$4940	\$3080

Chair Latos recommended we consider an annual pass for non-Jonestown citizens. There was discussion on the complex issues associated with allowing an annual pass. Upon review of the significantly reduced revenue from the Ventek machines in Jones Brothers Park, it was decided that the board would gather more information as the park season opens up and reevaluate allowing an annual pass to non-Jonestown taxpayers at the May meeting.

Discussion was held on allowing the picnic and pavilion facilities at Jones Bothers Park to be reserved in advance again.

A motion was made by Member O'Brien and seconded by Vice Chair Lopez to reopen advanced reservations of the park facilities, with the fee including a set amount of parking passes. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Discussion on grants for park improvements.**

The new Parks and Rec coordinator will focus on identifying grants.

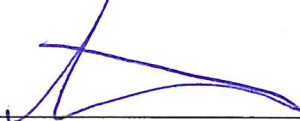
Discussion was held on the need for master planning Shady Park to identify pieces for potential grant funding. A field meeting was set for Monday, March 7th for Board Members to tour the site with Public Works Director James Herrera.

D. ADJOURNMENT


Meeting adjourned by Chairman Latos at 8:35 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT THE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2022.





Michael Latos, Chair

ATTEST:


Belinda Gaytan, TRMC, City Secretary