

SPECIAL SESSION

JANUARY 20, 2015

The Parks Board of the City of Athens, Texas met in Special Session on Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Annex, 501 N. Pinkerton Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Chris Tinsley
Jay Eckert
Clyde Bowman Sr.
Andrea Copeland
Hugh Armstrong

David Hopkins, Interim City Administrator
Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning & Development
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

others present: Councilmember Montgomery, Councilmember Elliott, Brent Muecke;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

DISCUSS/CONSIDER RE-ORGANIZATION OF BOARD
A) ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN.

A motion was made by Member Armstrong, seconded by Member Eckert to appoint Chris Tinsley as Chairman of the Parks Board. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Member Eckert, seconded by Member Copeland to appoint Hugh Armstrong as Vice Chairman of the Parks Board. The motion carried unanimously.

B) SET REGULAR MEETING DATE AND TIME.

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule the Regular meeting on the first Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER FUTURE CITY PARKS IMPROVEMENTS

Member Tinsley explained that the fields at Cain Park and Coleman Park are in need of renovation.

Members of the Board discussed future tourist infrastructure improvements to the City Parks.

David Hopkins, Interim City Administrator explained the City received \$60,000 from the insurance policy from the fire that occurred at Coleman Park. He also explained that upon renovation and completion of repairs at Coleman Park there is the possibility to receive additional funds in the amount of \$12,000.

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After discussions regarding improvements to the City Parks, a motion was made by Member Eckert, seconded by Member Copeland to recommend to the Athens City Council that the Parks Board be allowed time to properly plan for the construction of an improved concession stand at Coleman Park; The motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Brent Muecke, asked if the Parks Board would be addressing Kiwanis Park.

Member Tinsley stated the Parks Board would be addressing all parks.

Mr. Muecke, expressed his concerns with the following:

- 1) Hazardous issues at Kiwanis Park
- 2) Safety concerns at Cain Center
- 3) Handicapped parking
- 4) Joint venture with the City to use lighted soccer field at the Church he attends
- 5) AED Device at the parks
- 6) Mobile Concession stand

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Chris Tinsley, Chairman

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary