

**COUNTY OF BURNET  
CITY OF MARBLE FALLS  
STATE OF TEXAS**

On this the 7th day of March, 2016 the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Marble Falls, Texas convened for a regular meeting at 12:00 Noon at the Marble Falls City Hall located at 800 Third Street, Marble Falls, Texas, with notice of meeting giving the time, place, date and subject having been posted as described in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mark McCary	Vice-Chair
Charles Watkins	Commissioner
Leta Stevenson-Smith	Commissioner
Kendra Lewis	Commissioner
Annie Berg	Commissioner
Steve Hurst	Commissioner
Jane Knapik	Special Cemetery Board Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Dave Rhodes Chair

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:**

Robert Moss, Parks & Recreation Director  
Lewis Fincher, Superintendent of Parks  
Mike Hodge, City Manager  
Christina McDonald, City Secretary  
Monique Breaux, PARD Administrative Assistant

**VISITORS:** Jennifer Fierro – The Picayune

**OATHS OF OFFICE.** The City Secretary swore in Commissioners Stevenson-Smith, Watkins, Berg, and Hurst for the 2016-2018 term.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER.** Vice-Chair McCary called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.
- 2. UPDATES, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS.** None.
- 3. CITIZENS COMMENTS.** None.
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.**
  - February 1, 2016 Regular Meeting.**  
Commissioner Stevenson-Smith motioned to accept minutes and Commissioner Watkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS.**

**Election of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Chair Pro-Tem.** Commissioner Stevenson-Smith motioned for Commissioner Rhodes to remain as Chair, Commissioner McCary to remain as

Vice-Chair, and for Commissioner Lewis to become Chair Pro-Tem. Commissioner Watkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Spring Break 2016 Update.** Director Moss handed out the Spring Break 2016 activities flier that featured a photo contest utilizing social media (Instagram). Participants will be entered into the grand prize drawing if they meet all the entry requirements found on the flier and on the City's website. The winner will be randomly selected via a drawing. Commissioner Stevenson-Smith also informed the commission that volunteers are needed during the Spring Break activities. She encouraged all or some of the Commissioners to attend at least one event. She also showed the commission some of the prizes that will be given away at the different events. Spring Break will take place Monday through Thursday this year with multiple events going on simultaneously.

**Our Lone Star Legacy.** Johnson Park won the 2016 Lone Star Legacy Award. Vice-Chair McCary and Director Moss recognized that former Commissioner Steve Manley was the original champion for applying for the award. Director Moss also thanked Jane Knapik for her historical contribution to the award's application narrative. He gave a brief overview of what is required to gain this prestigious designation. A bronze designation plaque will be placed at the entrance of Johnson Park. An official press release and community event are both pending. The award will be announced in the media and in the TRAPS magazine. The Lone Star Legacy Award class of 2016 included parks from Abilene, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, and Galveston.

## 6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

**Park Projects.** Director Moss stated that the Floyd Tillman sculpture has been raised and placed on a granite pedestal. He is awaiting one additional piece of granite to complete the signage. Director Moss recognized Cold Springs for donating the block of granite.

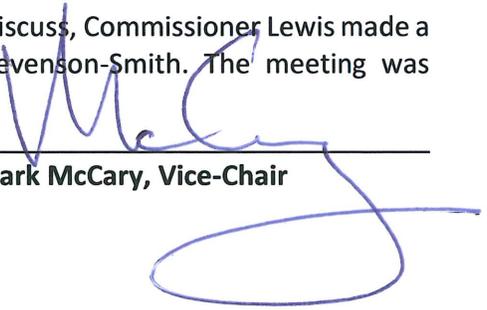
**Operations and Maintenance.** Director Moss mentioned that the Parks maintenance crew is preparing the parks, ball fields, and facilities for the busy spring season. The crew has been tree trimming, rehabbing and seeding the Johnson Park ball field with summer and Bermuda grass, and painting the park shade structures. The crew is also completing facility maintenance. Director Moss also announced that there are three vacant positions in the Parks Department – one full time maintenance tech; and two seasonal maintenance techs. The seasonal employees will work 40 hours per week from April to September; and will help with mowing and weed eating. Lastly, Director Moss informed the commission that the cemetery was about to enter its "ugly season". The bluebonnets are also blooming in the cemetery.

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be Monday, April 4, 2016.

## 7. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS. Commissioner McCary thanked the Streets Department for clearing off the brush that was along the Marble Falls – Meadowlakes fence in Pecan

Valley. He mentioned that the area is now safe for people to be able to walk to the park. Commissioner Stevenson-Smith requested that a discussion concerning hosting a teen night at the Westside Park Community Hall sponsored by the City and a local business be added to the next agenda. Commissioner Lewis requested that the overgrown brush along the trail near the "horseshoe" be cleared; and that a possible play space be added. Commissioner Hurst thanked everyone for welcoming him to the board.

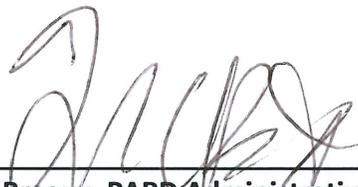
8. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Lewis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stevenson-Smith. The meeting was adjourned by a vote of 6-0.



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**Mark McCary, Vice-Chair**

**ATTEST:**



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**Monique Breaux, PARD Administrative Assistant**