

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

On this the 6th day of June, 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:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leta Stevenson-Smith Commissioner

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

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

VISITORS: Jennifer Fierro – The Picayune; Tim Hogsett – Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

- 1. CALL TO ORDER.** Chair Rhodes called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.
- 2. UPDATES, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS.**

Grant Opportunities. Tim Hogsett from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) gave an in-depth presentation regarding available recreation grant opportunities. He reminded the Commission that both Lakeside Park and Falls Creek Skate Park were funded by TPWD grants. The grant categories include opportunities for indoor and outdoor recreation; and feature multiple sub-categories with grant award amounts ranging from \$50-thousand to \$750-thousand. All grants must submitted online; must be used for a public facility; and have equal match funding. Grant deadlines are October 1 and February 1 annually.
- 3. CITIZENS COMMENTS.** None.
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.**
 - **May 2, 2016 Regular Meeting.**

Commissioner Lewis motioned to accept minutes and Commissioner Watkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS.

Mike Fry Memorial Plaque Update. Vice-Chair McCary informed the Commission that the bronze Mike Fry memorial plaque will be 15"x15" (same size as the plaque in Johnson Park) and will be placed at the Lake Fest out ramp. City Manager Hodge will present the proposed plaque idea and location to the City Council on Tuesday, June 7, 2016. The Chamber of Commerce plans to hold an unveiling ceremony during the Racer's Meet in August.

Park, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan Update. Director Moss gave an overview on the status of the Master Plan update. The consultants from Halff and Associates will be hosting multiple stakeholders meetings over the course of two days. These kickoff meetings are to collect information and public feedback. The Commission will also serve as the Parks Advisory Committee (PAC) in order to solicit feedback, initiate public engagement, and make recommendations. Their first PAC meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 5:30 in the Council Chambers. All meetings are open to the public. The goal is to have the Master Plan completed and ready to be presented to the City Council by January 2017.

Keep Marble Falls Beautiful; and Spring Break Subcommittee Update. Director Moss reminded the Commission that they are the supportive board for Keep Marble Falls Beautiful. The City submitted an official letter to Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) outlining the subcommittee designation. The City was moved to Affiliate status on June 3, 2016 and is in Good Standing with KTB. Commissioners Lewis, Watkins, and Stevenson-Smith will serve as the Spring Break subcommittee along with help from Vice-Chair McCary. These Commissioners will work to enhance the program and gain sponsorships.

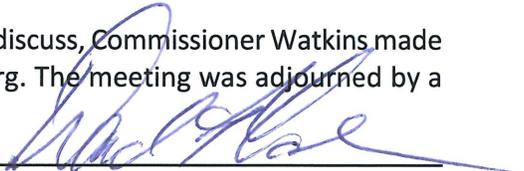
6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Park Projects. Director Moss stated that the Parks Master Plan update is ongoing and will be time consuming. His goal is to have the update completed by January 2017.

Operations and Maintenance. Director Moss mentioned that he has a full staff of eight employees (6 permanent and 2 seasonal). The maintenance crew is working diligently to catch up with mowing after the recent rains (needs to dry out). The pool is open and has had a slow start due to the heavy rains and making sure the chemicals are balanced. Director Moss is expecting business to pick up once the sun comes out. Director Moss informed Commissioner Hurst that he will present his requested grant opportunities in pieces.

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be Monday, July 11, 2016.

7. **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS.** Commissioner Hurst requested that the May Fest and adult soccer game(s) location be added to a future agenda for discussion.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Berg. The meeting was adjourned by a vote of 6-0.



Dave Rhodes, Chair

ATTEST:



Monique Breaux, PARC Administrative Assistant