

# CITY OF DECATUR, TEXAS

## **Parks Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes April 11, 2023**

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ashlee Bohn  
Will Cross  
Michael Eaton  
Jeremiah Greene  
Jafid Herrera

### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Cary Bohn- Chair  
Vacant Position

### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Heath Taylor, Parks Superintendent

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Eddie Allen, Councilman

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Michael Eaton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at Decatur City Hall Annex, 303 W Walnut St., Decatur, Texas. A quorum was present.

### **1. CONSIDER AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 28, 2023**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jeremiah Greene and seconded by Ashlee Bohn. The vote was unanimous.

### **2. UPDATE ON KEEP DECATUR BEAUTIFUL**

Ashlee Bohn announced that the glow run was cancelled for April 22.

### **3. HEAR PRESENTATION FROM CJ KERR**

CJ was not able to attend. Police Delvon Campbell gave a progress report on the new DPD building.

### **4. CONSIDER AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO FILL VACANT POSITION.**

The board voted 4-1 to recommend Kristina Mercer to fill the vacant board position. The nay being Jeremiah Greene.

### **5. UPDATE ON SKATE PARK AT HARMON PARK**

Heath reported that the contract has been signed and he is waiting on the geotechnical report. Hopes to have it by the end of the week.

### **6. DISCUSS POSSIBLE SITES FOR FUTURE SPORTS COMPLEX**

The board discussed possible sites that may be considered in the future to include: old dump site, industrial park and near future DISD properties.

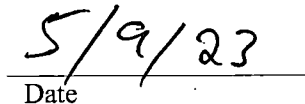
7. **DISCUSS FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT LOUIDA "BIG MAMMA" WILLIS PARK**  
Repurpose old skate park, basketball half court, shade covers, and tables will be added in the future.
8. **UPDATE FROM PARK SUPERINTENDENT HEATH TAYLOR ON PARK ACTIVITIES**  
Heath reported on the Park Departments daily activities.
9. **RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT ON PARK FUNDS**  
Heath provided financial balances on various park funds.
10. **CITY MANAGER UPDATE**  
No report given.
11. **RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**  
No comments from the public were made at this time.
12. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE**  
Next meeting was set for May 9, 2023
13. **REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**  
C.J. Kerr grant presentation  
Delvon Campbell presentation  
Poor Farm Discussion

**ADJOURNMENT**

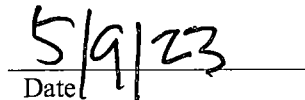
Michael Eaton adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.



Michael Eaton

  
Date

  
Greg Hall, PW Director

  
Date

**PARKS DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL REPORT****As of 5/09/23**

| <b>FUND DESCRIPTION</b>             | <b>BALANCE</b>                                   |               |                |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|----------------|
| F.F.B. RECREATION FUND              | \$260,993.02 (Includes 200K Skate Park Donation) |               |                |
| PARKLAND DEDICATION FEES            | \$78,209.00                                      |               |                |
| PARK DEVELOPMENT FEES               | \$117,442.86                                     |               |                |
| <b>22 BOND FUND PROJECTS</b>        |  |               |                |
|                                     | <b>BUDGET</b>                                    | <b>ACTUAL</b> | <b>BALANCE</b> |
| HARMON PLAYGROUND                   | \$800,000.00                                     | \$846,077.00  | -\$46,077.00   |
| SKATE PARK                          | \$550,000.00                                     | \$10,725.50   | \$539,274.50   |
| DOG PARK                            | \$150,000.00                                     | \$0.00        | \$150,000.00   |
| SPLASH PAD                          | \$895,000.00                                     | \$0.00        | \$895,000.00   |
|                                     | \$2,395,000.00                                   | \$856,802.50  | \$1,538,197.50 |
| <b>PARK DEPARTMENT FY 23 BUDGET</b> |  |               |                |
|                                     | <b>BUDGET</b>                                    | <b>ACTUAL</b> | <b>BALANCE</b> |
| MAINTENANCE BUDGET                  | \$269,500.00                                     | \$180,345.04  | \$89,154.96    |