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MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087
September 1, 2015
6:00 PM

7 **Call To Order**

8 The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00pm by Chairman Brad
9 Bassett with the following Board Members present: Kevin Moffatt, Charles Johnson, Bob
10 Lewis and Ray Harton. Wayne Larson and Larry Denny were absent. Also present were
11 Parks and Recreation Manager Andy Hesser, Administrative Secretary Wendy Young,
12 Parks Superintendent Aaron Dobson and Recreation Superintendent Andrew Ainsworth.

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14 **Consider approval of the minutes from the July 7, 2015 Park Board meeting and**
15 **take any action necessary**

16 The minutes from the July 7, 2015 Park Board meeting were provided to the Board for
17 their review and approval. Board Member Kevin Moffatt made a motion to approve the
18 minutes. Board Member Charles Johnson seconded the motion which passed by a vote of
19 5-0 (Larson & Denny absent).

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21 **Open Forum**

22 Chairman Bassett explained how Open Forum is conducted and asked if anyone in the
23 audience would like to come forth and speak during this time. There being no one
24 wishing to speak, Chairman Bassett then closed the Open Forum.

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26 **Discuss and consider Eagle Scout Project Proposal by Daniel Saputa and take any**
27 **action necessary.**

28 Mr. Hesser announced that Daniel Saputa is seeking approval for an Eagle Scout Project.
29 His proposal is to build and install 18 benches within the Harry Myers Disc Golf Course.
30 Mr. Saputa came forth and explained his project depicting the location and aerial views
31 of proposed locations of benches. He stated that these benches would be long-lasting,
32 provide a place to rest, tie shoes and drink water. These benches will be used by players,
33 joggers, walkers and others at the park. The benches will be built with pressure treated
34 wood, carriage bolts (rounded top for safety) and outdoor paint. The cost of wood, paint,
35 bolts, construction materials, clean up materials, etc will roughly total \$700. The money
36 will be funded by donation and fundraising. Park Board members expressed their
37 excitement in seeing this project come together. Chairman Bassett made a motion to
38 accept this project proposal. Board Member Lewis seconded the motion which passed by
39 a vote of 5-0 (Larson & Denny absent).

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41 **Discuss and consider Eagle Scout Project Proposal by Thomas Stelmar and take any**
42 **action necessary.**

43 Thomas Stelmar is seeking approval for an Eagle Scout Project. He is presenting a
44 proposal to install a technical trail feature within the Squabble Creek Mountain Bike
45 Trail. He has met with DORBA trail steward and staff to discuss this plan. Mr. Stelmar
46 came forth and described his project. He explained that he would be building a teeter

47 totter with a ramp and bridge. The bridge will be 18 inches off the ground and 10 feet
48 long. Teeter will be 30 inches tall when parallel to the ground and 16 feet long. The
49 element in entirety is 30 feet long. Bikers will begin and end the trail feature on the
50 regularly used path, persons who choose not to use the teeter totter will have the option to
51 go around and use another path approximately 10 feet to the side. The steps would be to
52 clear area of fallen debris and clean up of new trail section, set posts, build ramp, install
53 element, city inspection/sign-off. Estimated time from start to finish would be 2-3 weeks.
54 Chairman Bassett made a motion to accept this project proposal. Board Member Lewis
55 seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5-0 (Larson & Denny absent).

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57 **Hear update on Strategic Initiatives and take any action necessary.**

58 Mr. Hesser explained that we are currently meeting with Active Net and going over
59 software with a series of weekly meetings. So far we are on target to launch November
60 2015. Mr. Dobson went over the reforestation plan stating that there will be a total of
61 162 trees from the mitigation fund, 116 are brand new and 46 are replacement trees.
62 Staff is working with Active Net by attending weekly meetings to structure the new
63 software. Currently, staff is scheduling meetings with special needs contacts to provide
64 program opportunities for those with special needs. Special Olympics is helping us
65 identify resources that may require training to provide program opportunities for those
66 with special needs

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68 Bob Lewis left at 6:37pm.

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70 **Hear updated on Breezy Hill and take any action necessary**

71 Mr. Hesser explained that we have officially been notified of our award for the grant in
72 the amount of \$400,000. There is about \$90,000 the developer has paid in pro-rata
73 equipment fees. Some of the trail will be installed later until we have a park design. No
74 action taken.

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76 **Hear staff monthly report and updates on programs and events and take any action
77 necessary.**

78 Recreation Superintendent Andrew Ainsworth went over the RBSL Fall Update and
79 explained that we have over 700 players registered for the fall and are currently working
80 on game schedules and getting those released in a couple of days. Family Fun Friday
81 will be September 25 at Hickory Ridge and Rib Rub Run & Roll will be October 3rd.
82 Parks Superintendent Aaron Dobson explained that Yellowjacket Park Ribbon Cutting
83 went great, we had many people in attendance and received great reviews from the
84 public. The aerial sewer line repair at Myers Park is complete.

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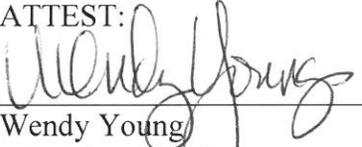
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93 **Adjournment**
94 There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was
95 adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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97 PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE PARK BOARD OF THE CITY OF
98 ROCKWALL, TEXAS, this 6th day of October 2015.

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101 Brad Bassett
102 Chairman, Park Board

103 ATTEST:
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105 Wendy Young
106 Administrative Secretary
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