

**City of Bastrop, TX
Parks Board and
Public Tree Advisory Board Meeting
MINUTES**

**Bastrop City Hall
City Council Chambers
1311 Chestnut Street
Bastrop, TX 78602
(512) 332-8800**



October 05, 2017, at 6:00 P.M.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

1A. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3A. Discuss and consider action to approve Minutes from the September 07, 2017, Board meeting.

- Betty motioned to approve the Minutes as read. Mitch seconded the motion, which passed.

4. STAFF, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

4A. Parks & Recreation Department - Trey Job, Managing Director

- Monthly overview of events, maintenance, repairs, and projects.
 - David Junek reviewed the report with the Board. He informed the members that the graffiti at Hunter's Crossing Subdivision was removed by the PARD crews.
 - October 2017 Special Events.
 - Calendar attached.
 - Possible partnership between BIRD and the City's PARD to participate in the Heart of Texas Writing Project with UT to promote and exhibit BIRD's literary projects in public places where there is a high volume of foot traffic.
 - On November 09, 2017, at the Bastrop Convention, the City will host its first annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner to honor and award City Council members and volunteers on city-appointed Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

- Approximately 250 people attended Big Truck Day event in Bob Bryant Park, hosted by the Library with support from crews from Public Works, Parks & Rec, Police Department, and the Fire Department.
 - Partnership between PARD and a Youth Advisory Council composed of students from the Colorado River Collegiate Academy to guide and mentor student participation in local government and community outreach projects.
- 4B. Bastrop State Park – Jamie Creacy, Superintendent
- Monthly overview of events, maintenance, repairs, and projects.
 - The state park is open to the public for its busy season. All the cabins are booked. Prescribed fires are underway, and the public has been alerted. The next public hearing to discuss the Park Use Plan will be held on October 19, 2017.
- 4C. YMCA – Terry Moore, Director
- Monthly overview of projects and activities.
- 4D. Youth Parks Activity Committee – Allison Hewett
- Monthly overview of projects and activities.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

At this time, three (3) minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. To address the Board, please submit a fully completed request card to the Board chairperson prior to the beginning of the Citizens' Comment portion of the Board meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, if a citizen discusses any item not on the agenda, city Boards cannot discuss issues raised or make any decision at this time. Instead, city Boards are limited to making a statement of specific information or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Issues may be referred to city staff for research and possible future action.

It is not the intention of the City of Bastrop to provide a public forum for the embarrassment or demeaning of any individual or group. Neither is it the intention of the Board to allow a member of the public to slur the performance, honesty, and/or integrity of the Board, as a body or any member or members of the Board, individually or collectively, nor any members of the city's staff. Accordingly, profane, insulting, or threatening language directed toward the Board and/or any person in the Board's presence will not be tolerated.

6. WORK SESSION/BRIEFINGS

- 6A. Consideration, discussion, and possible action:
- The approach to search for a youth representative.
 - City staff will place an article in the newspaper and distribute the article to high school counselors for posting on the school bulletin boards. Applicant interviews will be conducted at the Board's December meeting. The newly-selected youth representative will be introduced at the January 2018 Board meeting.
 - Development of a park on property across from Kerr Park.
 - Community members living near Kerr Park will be invited to attend a public hearing to be held at the Kerr Center. The date of that hearing will be decided at the November meeting.
 - Submission of a grant application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Division (TPWD) as a result of the public hearings held on September 20, 2017, and September 26, 2017.
 - Submitted for construction of Delgado Park.
 - Parks & Recreation October 2017 to September 2018 budget.
 - Budget was passed with no omissions.
 - Council's support of resolution for the Bastrop State Park Plan.
 - Resolution was submitted.
 - Progress on installation in the parks of the exercise equipment purchased through a grant.
 - Will be installed by the end of 2017.

- Progress on construction of a skate park.
 - The skate park has become the “wheeled sports plaza.” Its design will go before Council at its October 24, 2017, meeting.
- Progress of HB 7, Session 85(1), regarding limiting a city’s authority to remove trees inside city limits.
 - Dave Gattis, Interim Planning Director, provided an update.

7. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

7A. Consideration, discussion, and possible action:

- Establish a schedule to assist with data collection and surveying the attendees at the Trick or Treat Trail for current population’s recreational interests, including interest in a disk golf course.
- Recommendation to council on a bond proposal as a result of polling the community for recreational needs.
 - This was tabled for now.

8. ADJOURNMENT

8A. The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.

APPROVED: _____
Josh Gordon, Chairperson

DATE: _____

ATTEST: _____
Nancy Rabensburg, Secretary

DATE: _____

