

LA MARQUE PARKS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2013

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman McGaffey called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and a quorum was present.

PRESENT: Calvin Jones, Mac McGaffey, Al Reida, Bo Hunter & Larry Walker

ABSENT: Herbert Franklin, C.J. Leggett

STAFF: Nathan Epperson

3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board dispensed with the invocation; Bo Hunter led the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting, May 16, 2013

Calvin Jones made a motion to approve the minutes. Al Reida seconded the motion. Minutes were passed unanimously.

5. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Comments from the Public (At this time, any person with city-related business who has signed up may speak to Parks Board limited to three (3) minutes). In compliance with Texas Open Meeting Act the Parks Board may not deliberate on comments. Personal attacks will not be allowed, and personnel matters should be addressed to the City Manager during normal business hours

James Jones with the Cougar Youth Football League addressed the Board with a plan to manage the football field at Mahan Park. Chairman informed Mr. Jones that the Board could not act on this subject because it was not an agenda item. Mr. Jones requested to be placed on the July agenda.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action of approving Parks Board Monthly Financial Report
Balance as of May 31, 2013 - \$43,391.84

Larry Walker made a motion to approve the financial report. Bo Hunter seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

- b. Discussion/possible action of repairs to equipment in all parks

Staff updated Board members on the current status with the safety surfacing for Lagana Park and MLK Jr. Park and the bulkhead repairs to the boat ramp at Mahan Park.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action- 100ft of culvert for drainage at Highland Bayou Park (BBQ area)

Chairman explained to the Board members that the existing driveway entering into the cook-off area was too narrow and teams were complaining about the dust entering into the area and covering the food. Chairman suggested adding an additional 100ft of culverts to expand the driveway. Staff provided quotes with the low quote at \$1,400.00 by South Houston Concrete. Larry Walker made a motion to accept the quote from South Houston Concrete of \$1,400.00 to add the additional 100ft of culverts to expand the driveway at Highland Bayou Park for the cook-off teams. Al Reida seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

- b. Discussion/possible action-meeting date
(July 18, 2013 – 3rd Thursday in July)

Calvin Jones made a motion to schedule the next meeting for July 18, 2013 @ 6:30 pm.
Al Reida seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

8. CHAIRMAN REPORT

Chairman updated the Board members on changes for Bayou Fest 2013 items covered were: relocation of stage and RV parking, the addition of electrical poles and water facilities that will increase the amount of cook-off teams, Land and Sea Company are furnishing generators for the stage and RV area, a new location for the model airplanes and possible addition of a Slam Dunk contest.

9. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Requests by Park Board Members for items to be placed on future agendas and announcements on city events/community interests

Bo Hunter stated everything is going good; hopes that Bayou Fest has larger crowds this year. Larry Walker stated he appreciates that the Board had patience with him while he has taken classes. Al Reida informed the Board that he will help with the upcoming projects. Calvin Jones wants members to know that the Chairman is on top of things and is doing a good job with organizing Bayou Fest function and hopes everybody gets involved with Bayou Fest. Mac McGaffey thanked all members for their involvement in projects and that their involvement helps to keep him motivated. He also thanked the City Crews for their hard work for the citizens of La Marque. Nathan Epperson stated everything was good.

10. ADJOURNMENT: 7:20pm

Al Reida made a motion to adjourn. Larry Walker seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Louis McGaffey, Chairperson