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**CITY OF LA MARQUE
PARKS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OF
September 21, 2017**

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of La Marque Parks Board Meeting held on September 21, 2017, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road with the following member present:

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Mac McGaffey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mac McGaffey
Rock Bock
Al Reida
Bo Hunter
Herbert Franklin
Abby Cash
Larry Walker

ABSENT:

C.J. Leggett

OTHER OFFICIALS/STAFF PRESENT:

Councilman Chris Lane
Carol Buttler, City Manager
Les Rumburg, Public Services Director
Venisha Henderson, Public Services Administrative Assistant

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of August 17, 2017

Board Member Abby Cash made a motion to approve the corrected Minutes of August 17, 2017. Board Member Bo Hunter seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(4) FINANCIAL REPORT- (Ending August 31, 2017)

Board Member Al Reida made a motion to approve the financial report ending August 31, 2017. Board Member Herbert Franklin seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(5) CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was none.



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(6) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding Bayou Fest.
Venisha Henderson will get with Crescent Electric to meet someone from the Parks Board out at Highland Bayou Park to explain where the 30 amp circuits are supposed to be placed at. Spraying for ants needs to be done earlier and especially in the cook-off area and where the kids have their fishing tournament at. Fourteen plus eight handicap additional porta potties is needed. 2 roll off dumpsters (30 cubic feet) is going to be provided for the Bayou Fest. Public Services will provide their own trash liners for trash cans in addition to the trash liners that the trash company provides as well. The boxes with the liners will still be used. The dumpster needs to be relocated towards the pavilion where the pumpkin patch will be at. Water Tanks are provided by the Texas City/La Marque Chambers.
- b. Discussion/possible action and provide status for Master Parks Plan/Grants
There was no discussion.
- c. Discussion/possible action and provide status of initiated Parks Board Projects. (Backup to be provided at meeting).
Three bids are needed for the engineering plan for the pavilion support beams at Highland Bayou Park. Public Services will get in contact with Texas New Mexico about the light at Martin Luther King Jr Park. This light is supposed to come on when it starts to become dark but when Board Member Abby Cash had gone out one night the light never came on. There is a sign, Park Closed from Dusk to Dawn down at Mahan Park on the right side of the gate that needs to be replaced.

(7) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding The La Marque Cougars Youth Football Contract.
A meeting needs to be scheduled with City Manager, the Cougars and Seahawks as soon as possible to discuss the use of the fields at Mahan Park. The trustee for La Marque Cougars, Ms. Hardy explained how she submitted in new insurance to the City before it expired but somehow never got received by the City Clerk. The former president Mr. Sowell is no longer apart of the La Marque Cougars and Ms. Hardy is taking his place on the contract but was never changed over. City Manager says she gave the Seahawks permission to use the field at Mahan Park because the La Marque Cougars failed to update expired insurance and City Council agreed to it as well. Parks Board members were upset for the lack of communication that was not given to them about the agreement between the Seahawks and City Manager. Councilman Lane asked for the La Marque Cougars youth football team's contract be brought back to Council for review



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and there was no action on this matter. Board Member Herbert Franklin made a motion to keep the Cougars contract with the City and update the names on the contract from Mr. Sowell to Ms. Hardy. Al Reida seconded.

- b. Discussion/possible action regarding the next Parks Board Meeting.
October 12, 2017 for the next Parks Board Meeting. No Action was taken.

(8) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none

(9) ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.


Mac McGaffey, Chairperson
Parks Board