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**CITY OF LA MARQUE
PARKS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OF
January 18, 2018**

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of La Marque Parks Board Meeting held on January, 18, 2018, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road with the following member present:

(1) CALL TO ORDER

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

(2) ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Louis McGaffey
Rock Bock
Bo Hunter
Herbert Franklin
Larry Walker
Abby Cash

ABSENT:

C.J. Leggett

OTHER OFFICIALS/STAFF PRESENT:

Charlene Warren, Assistant to the City Manager/Emergency Management Coordinator
Les Rumburg, Public Services Director
Venisha Henderson, Public Services Administrative Assistant

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Bo Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes of November 16, 2017.
Board Member Al Reida seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(4) PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

There was none.

(5) FINANCIAL REPORT

Board Member Al Reida made a motion to approve the financial report ending November 30, 2017 and December 31, 2017. Board Member Larry Walker seconded.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

(6) CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was none.



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(7) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action and provide status for Master Parks Plan/Grants.
Charlene stated Alice Ashley our Grant Administrator will help assist with applying for a grant for the Parks Board's Wish List.
- b. Update regarding request of The Texas Independent Trail Ride Association to utilize Highland Bayou Park.
Les Rumburg, Public Services Director, stated that if Texas City was to get rained out Highland Bayou Park will be their alternative. Mr. Larry Myrick will notify us several days ahead of time to let us know if they will be utilizing Highland Bayou Park. Mr. Rumburg asked if there would be anything that The Trail riders may need from the City and in their response, "Electricity and water." Anything else the City provides will also be accepted. Beginning of 2019 Texas Trail Riders wants to make Highland Bayou Park their official starting point. Council did approve their special events permit and The Trail Riders will clean up behind themselves. The parking trailers will be in the cook-off area. There will be no selling nor giving away alcohol during their utilizing at the park. They will be their own security. Venisha Henderson, Public Services Administrative Assistant will prepare a spreadsheet for a list of items The Trail Riders may or will be needing.
- c. Discussion/possible action and provide status of initiated Parks Board Projects.
Board Member Michael Bock asked were all the cameras installed at Highland Bayou Park and if the Wi-Fi was set up to where La Marque Police Dispatch can access the video screen. Cameras were not installed at Board Member Al Reida's pavilion or the Maxwell gate. Charlene will follow up with the IT Department re regarding the Wi-Fi and camera installations. Chairperson Louis McGaffey requested for crushed concrete for the back roads. The pavilion support beams are to be funded by the Public Services Department and not Parks Board since it is a maintenance item, spreadsheet will be corrected. Board member Abby Cash stated the Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Park light is still out since October. Crescent needs a key to unlock the box to change out light. Board Member Bo Hunter requests for the basketball chains be changed out with the regular nets and Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Park does not have any basketball chain nets at all. Charlene stated Colleen is working on a project to replace every sign for the parks. Public Services will place a temporary sign up at Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Park until the City does get new signs. Chairperson Louis McGaffey stated that Board Member Al Reida's pavilion is missing 1 picnic table and needs to be moved back. Chairperson McGaffey asked where he stands with the permit from Army Corps Engineer and Les Rumburg stated he was going to set up a meeting to ask them their limitations and regulations on getting a permit for an individual project. Chairperson Louis McGaffey stated that TCISD told him the brick he wanted to use was not contaminated and he can use for his backroads and Army Corps Engineer told him he could use as well. Charlene asked if he had that in writing, and Chairperson Louis McGaffey replied, "Yes, there was a note that was put on Kathleen VanStavern's desk."



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Chairperson Louis McGaffey went on to say that more adult swings are needing to be added at Mahan Park. Charlene stated Chairperson Louis McGaffey needs to contact the company that provides the hay to explain to them they are not to be used again for the parks. Chairperson Louis McGaffey wants examples on Fire Rings to be put at the parks instead of the BBQ Pits they have out now because of them constantly being stolen.

(8) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding the proposed Budget for the Parks Board FY 2018-2019.

Charlene included a spreadsheet packet with Chairperson Louis McGaffey's Wishlist for each individual park so the Parks Board Members can decide what new projects they want to come out of their next year's budget. Chairperson Louis McGaffey stated he was told by Council that the Parks Board will be given \$50,000 for Playground equipment and \$25,000 for a new fence at Mahan Park behind the bleachers. Charlene will check the audio on the budget workshops for Parks Board from last year and have it at the next parks board meeting.

- b. Discussion/possible action regarding the next Parks Board Meeting to be held on March 15, 2018. **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

(9) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none

(10) ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mac McGaffey, Chairperson
Parks Board