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**CITY OF LA MARQUE
PARKS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OF
February 15, 2018**

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of La Marque Parks Board Meeting held on February 15, 2018, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road with the following members present:

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Louis McGaffey called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Louis McGaffey
Bo Hunter
Herbert Franklin
Larry Walker
Abby Cash

ABSENT:

C.J. Leggett
Al Reida
Michael Bock

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 Franklin made a motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2018. Board Member Walker seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(4) PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

There were none.

(5) FINANCIAL REPORT

Board Member Herbert Franklin made a motion to approve the financial report ending January 31, 2018. Board Member Larry Walker seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(6) CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was none.

(7) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action and provide status for Master Parks Plan/Grants



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Ms. Warren stated that she will be meeting with Alice Ashley, our Grant Administrator, to discuss Grant opportunities.

- b. Discussion/possible action and provide status of initiated Parks Board Projects
Ms. Henderson will follow up with Ms. Hobby on the removal of metal trash cans and replacing them with plastic cans at Mahan Park. Ms. Warren will get an update on the equipment at La Marque Police Department that will get connected and have access to the cameras at Highland Bayou Park and Mahan. Weather permitting IT Department will finish the install of cameras and Wi-Fi at Highland Bayou Park. Chairperson McGaffey requests for an updated spreadsheet with the noncompleted projects only. Ms. Henderson will have this available at the next Parks Board Meeting.
- c. Discussion/possible action regarding the proposed Budget for the Parks Board FY 2018-2019
Ms. Warren explained that upon listening to the audio from the Parks Board Budget Meeting for Fiscal Year 2018, initially \$75,000 was discussed to be budgeted to Parks Board from Council; however, in the end, Council approved a total of \$50,000 - \$20,000 for Highland Bayou Park and \$30,000 for the fence by the football field and additional playscapes at Mahan Park. Once quotes for fencing are received from Ms. Hobby, we will know how much will be left over for the equipment at Mahan. Chairperson McGaffey requested that 300 feet of culverts be placed in front of the football field down to Woodland St. for better drainage of the football field and to allow room for parking. Chairperson McGaffey requested that the fence be put up behind the bleachers and recommended two 4-foot double gates at each end of the field so emergency vehicles could access the field. Ms. Hobby will take this into consideration when getting quotes for fencing. Ms. Warren stated, "Any time the city replaces damaged, outdated equipment that's a safety concern, that's a maintenance issue, but when you say you want to add new playground equipment to the back of the park, that is considered a new project, then that would be considered from the Park donation fund."

Ms. Hobby included 1 quote for the pavilion reinforcements but cannot proceed until we receive a total of 3 quotes. Chairperson McGaffey requested for the pole fences with the reinforcement rods at Mahan be replaced with new ones because it is unsafe. He also stated that at Highland Bayou Park Shelter #4, the water is up to the concrete and the erosion has gotten bad. The benches need to be moved 3 to 4 feet back.

Mr. Rumburg met with Corps of Engineers about the lake at Highland Bayou Park and it was stated that since there is a cut in the ditch on the Northwest side of the lake that feeds into the Bayou that would make it accessible to water, it is in the jurisdiction to the Corps of Engineers. Mr. Rumburg will mail a letter asking for a jurisdictional determination.

(8) NEW BUSINESS



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- a. 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 7:15 p.m.

Louis "Mac" McGaffey, Chairperson
Parks Board