



City of Belton – Parks Board Meeting Minutes

Harris Community Center, Simpson Room
401 N. Alexander Street
Belton, TX
Monday, March 4, 2013 – 5:30 pm

A meeting of the City of Belton Parks Board was held on Monday, March 4, 2013, in the Simpson Room at the Harris Community Center. Attending the meeting were Parks Board Chair Diane Ring, Vice Chair Daniel Bucher, Josh Pearson, Mike Ratliff, and Tyson McLaughlin. City Staff in attendance included Interim Public Works Director Byron Sinclair, Recreation & Events Director Sandy Slade, Parks Superintendent Dennis Browning and Recreation Coordinator Matt Bates.

1. **Call to Order.**

Chair Diane Ring called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. **Consider an amendment to the lease agreement between the City of Belton and Belton Christian Youth Center (BCYC) regarding location of playground equipment purchased by BCYC for placement in Confederate Park.**

Sandy Slade informed the Board of BCYC's recent purchase of playground equipment and the proposed placement in Confederate Park. Slade told the Board that staff had met with BCYC prior and reviewed what would be an ideal location within the park for placement. Ring asked the age of the equipment that Melissa Parker, BCYC Executive Director, confirmed as 10 years.

Slade told the Board that the project is geared to the #4 High Priority in the Parks & Recreation Strategic Master Plan, related to developing new and updating existing playgrounds.

Daniel Bucher made a motion to recommend the project to City Council and Tyson McLaughlin seconded. The item was approved unanimously.

3. **Board and/or Staff comments.**

Sandy Slade informed the Board of a Capital Improvement Project that is on the list for consideration regarding a possible fifth baseball field at Heritage Park. She explained that the Belton Youth Baseball Association has committed to a 50% contribution to the project.

Byron Sinclair updated the Board on the water line upgrade at Heritage Park and discussed other elements related to parks for consideration by the CIP committee, including possible increase in parking area at Heritage Park.

Matt Bates shared pictures of the disc golf tournament and spoke of its success for a first time event. He indicated that he is in the planning stages for another tournament soon.

4. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned 5:57 pm.