

**REGULAR MEETING  
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS  
February 2, 2009**

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2009, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Leander, Texas convened in Regular Meeting, the same being open to the public at regular meeting place thereof in City Hall, located at 406 Municipal Drive and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject thereof having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following members in attendance, to wit:

Andy Sultenfuss	}	Chair
Ted Wood	}	Vice Chair
Tami Holk-Johnson	}	
Jayne Serna	}	Secretary
Stacy Stewart	}	
Steve Bosak	}	Parks & Recreation Director

1. **Call to Order:** Andy Sultenfuss opened the meeting at 7:09 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** All listed above were in attendance. Stacey Bechtold was absent. Tami Holk-Johnson was considered absent, excused.
3. **Discussion of possible approval of the December 2008 minutes:** A motion was made by Jayne Serna to approve the minutes from the December 2008 meeting and was seconded by Ted Wood. The motion was approved unanimously.
4. **Citizen Communications:** Ted reported citizen concerns regarding overcrowding at the pool at Bledsoe Park and possible need for a second municipal pool. Steve Bosak responded that they have asked day cares not to “drop in” but to plan their trips to the pool to alleviate overcrowding. He also noted that there are currently no plans for a pool but such plans would require a bond election. Possible sites for such a pool were briefly discussed. Ted also asked if anything could be done about the drying of Devine Lake, and Steve reported that a broken valve and season drying were the culprits. Andy Sultenfuss added Peg’s concerns continued vandalism at the Benbrook Ranch Park. Steve relayed plans to add large rocks near the perimeter as barriers to vehicle entry. He reported that there were prohibition signs and expressed concerns about over-signing at the park if we added more. Ted also expressed concerns about making the Crystal Falls Golf Course friendlier to junior players by adding an affordable junior player pass.
5. **Consideration & Possible Action on the following items**
  - **Skate Park Design Update:** Back to the drawing board, literally—Steve informed the board that stakeholders were not satisfied with the initial

plan, so another design with a street course and a minor bowl is in the works. This plan should be available by the next meeting.

- **City Sidewalks Update:** Steve informed the board that recent bond issues are being used to create sidewalks on the West side of Crystal Falls Parkway to Leander High School. This sidewalk is an urban trail and included in the regional trails system. Also, some primary and secondary trail routes from the Trail Master Plan have been added to the City Transportation Plan.
- **Motorized Vehicles in Parks:** A recurring problem. Andy noted that stepped up law enforcement would be desirable to curb this problem, and Steve concurred.
- **Green Initiatives:** Andy suggested an addition of native plants and other green initiative plans in our parks and that these might enhance our greenspace plans. Jayne suggested that school environmental groups might be able to assist in planning, and Steve added that a waste management company might partner with us to establish a recycling program.

## 6. Coming Events

- **Active Adult Day Trip** (February 11<sup>th</sup> – Texas Ranger Museum)

7. **Director's Report:** Steve reported that Suddenlink has once again agreed to sponsor park events (concert series), but more sponsors are needed for movies. A few newer businesses in the area have expressed interested in becoming sponsors. Steve also reported that improvements continue on the Mason House (windows, painting), that Capital Metro will be donating two vans to the City and that this year's Liberty Fest budget includes funds for shuttle service.

8. **Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. by Stacy Stewart and seconded by Jayne. The motion was approved, all voting aye.