

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS ADVISORY BOARD,
CITY OF PALESTINE, ON TUESDAY, February 02, 2010.

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The Parks Advisory Board of the City of Palestine, Texas convened in a meeting on Tuesday, December 01, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., at City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street with the following Board members present:

JOHN B. MCDONALD	CHAIRPERSON
JOE BILL COCHRAN	BOARD MEMBER
THELMA C. HOLLAND	BOARD MEMBER
SUE HAMMETT	BOARD MEMBER
HOWARD PIQUET	BOARD MEMBER
CARLA CUBSTEAD	BOARD MEMBER

Also in attendance were:

ROY CROUCH	FACILITY MTCE. SUPERINTENDENT
KRISTEN BROOKS	PALESTINE VISITOR CENTER
JOAN STROMINGER	CHAMPIONS FOR CHILDREN

Absent were:

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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Parks Board Chairperson John McDonald made the motion to approve the minutes from the December 01, 2009 meeting. Howard Piquet seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Introduced new board member Carla Cubstead to the board and welcomed her.

Joan Strominger with Champions for Children gave a brief update on The Born Learning Trail from last June that will be located in the Steven Bennett Park. It will have learning tips to help teach children about nature and different ways to explorer outside and learn.

Champions for Children hope to have an opening day for April 17, 2010 to also celebrate Healthy Kids Day. The Board Members approved now waiting for City Council to approve.

Roy told the board that the City Council approved the Reagan Park Grant Application and was submitted by the deadline date of January 31, 2010. Roy told the Board Members he would not know the outcome until around August because applications come from all over the state.

Carla updated the Board Members with the new phase focal point sprayground for Reagan Park and it will change a little bit. She stated that the fundraising process has started and there will be newspaper articles announcing the project after everything is approved. The Palestine Junior Service League is hoping to have this project ready for the water to be turned on in May or June of 2011.

Roy advised the group that City Council approved the Wall of Fame that will be located across the street from East Texas National Bank and will be maintained by the City. Bascom Bentley is a sponsor and getting donations for the project.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Joe Bill and seconded by Thelma. Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

John B. McDonald
Chairperson – Park Advisory Board

Kristen Brooks
Palestine Visitor Center