

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ANDERSON  
CITY OF PALESTINE

The Parks Advisory Board met in regular session on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall conference Room, 504 North Queen Street, Palestine, TX with the following members present:

John McDonald  
Thelma Holland

Carla Cubstead  
Joe Cochran

Others present:  
Roy Crouch  
Rob Thames

Heather Hrebec

A quorum of the Parks Advisory Board was present.

**CALL TO ORDER**

John McDonald called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by John McDonald, seconded by Joe Cochran, to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2012 meeting. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**Overview of Community Services**

Roy Crouch presented the board with an overview of the divisions of Community Services. He explained that there are 8 divisions of the department and explained that the combined budgets for the department equal approximately \$2,395,340.00.

**Overview of Reagan Park Master Plan**

Roy Crouch presented the board with an overview of the Reagan Park master Plan. He explained that there are 4 phases and that currently we are working on step two of phase one of the plan. He advised the board that the department recently received \$75,000.00 to purchase new playground equipment, \$40,000.00 for park amenities, and \$45,000.00 for a building to store park department equipment.

Update on Reagan Park Spray Ground Project

Roy Crouch presented the board with an overview of the Reagan Park Spray Ground Project and advised the board that he and representatives of the Palestine Junior Service League (PJSL) met with Mark Spencer of MHS Planning and Design. He explained that Mark Spencer is the general contractor for the project and that the group met with him to go over specifics of the spray ground lay out and elements to be included in the spray ground. Crouch said that funds raised include: \$75,000 from Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPWD) Grant, \$126,810 from the City of Palestine, and the fundraising from the PJSL.

Update on Legacy in the Park Fundraising

Roy Crouch provided an update on the fundraising efforts for the Legacy in the Park Program. He stated that the Ryan discount cards have been very successful and that the Carson & Barnes Circus will be at the Palestine Mall on March 28, 2012 to perform. He said proceeds from that event will go to the Legacy in the Park Program.

Discuss Carson & Barnes Circus

Roy Crouch provided the board with an overview of the Carson & Barnes Circus. He stated the circus is a fundraiser for the Legacy in the Park Program. He explained the breakdown of proceeds that will be given to Legacy in the Park based on adult and children ticket sales.

ADJOURN

Motion Made by John McDonald, seconded by Joe Cochran, to adjourn at 12:36p.m.

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Heather Hrebec, Event Coordinator