

**State of Texas
County of Denton
City of Lake Dallas**

The Parks, Recreation and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board of the City of Lake Dallas met in a regular meeting on December 15, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room at the Lake Dallas City Hall located at 212 Main Street, with notice of the meeting given as required by Title 5, Chapter 551.041 of the Texas Government Code.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was officially called to order at 7:02 PM by KeriMarie Sutherland.

2. Roll Call

Present: KeriMarie Sutherland, Steven Brunson, Doyt Sheets, Cindy Nelson & Stephanie Berndt (staff)

Absent: Charlie Price

3. Visitors/Citizens Agenda

Margaret McCarty, who applied to be on the Parks, Recreation & KLDB Board, came to the meeting to introduce herself and meet the current members of the Board.

4. Board Member Reports

a) Follow up on fire ants at City Park

The Public Works department treats any areas they see and, when they sprayed for stickers, they put granules down. The fire ant issue is a routine check at all parks in addition to checking the playground equipment for damage. Park personnel always have fire ant bait on their truck.

b) Follow up on overgrown brush on Shady Shores Road

The Public Works department takes care of the right-of-way on the west side of Shady Shores Road from Silktree Ct. up to the mansion. The people who own the mansion are responsible for the front.

c) Follow up on potential dog park

A meeting was set for Monday, March 2nd at 7 pm in the conference room at City Hall to discuss a plan for the dog park.

5. Business

a) Motion to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2014 meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2014 meeting was made by KeriMarie Sutherland and seconded by Doyt Sheets. Ayes: KeriMarie Sutherland, Steven Brunson, Doyt Sheets and Cindy Nelson. Noes: None. Motion passed.

b) Post event discussion of Trunk-or-Treat held on October 31, 2014

The event went very well and we had a great turnout of around 800 people. The costume contest was very popular so next year the Board wants to expand the contest to include 3 categories of adult, child and group.

d) Post event discussion of Lighting up the Season held on December 6, 2014

The event was a hit with approximately 500 people attending the event. Berndt suggested that next year we switch the live music performances to the Council Chambers and have Santa photos in the lobby and the Board agreed. Also, the costumed characters were very popular so next year we will try to increase our number of photo opportunities.

d) Discussion of the Mardi Gras event scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2015

- a. Parade: LDISD has been contacted and will submit suggestions for teachers to honor as grand marshal. In order to have a more lively parade, the jazz band has been asked to switch their

performance from the stage to a float in the parade (haven't received confirmation from director yet). Also, the horn section from the Gumbo Kings will play on the grand marshal float.

- b. Contests: Berndt suggested getting rid of 9 awards for the parade contest and only keeping the 3 awards that had cash prizes and the Board agreed. Also, Berndt suggested the winners of the mask contest be asked to ride in the parade and the Board agreed. The costume contest will not be held this year due to lack of interest. Berndt will confirm if the Cajun Kitchen will do the crawfish contest again.
- c. Vendors: Vendor fees were lowered to \$50 for a 10'x10' space and \$75 for a 20'x10' space to account for a shorter event time and more adverse weather conditions compared to 4th of July.
- d. Entertainment: The Board decided to re-book the balloon artist. Berndt will look at other entertainment options to replace the costume contest and juggler. Sheets suggested face painting in the lobby. Sutherland suggested looking into buying more heaters.

6. Community Relations Manager Report

a) Maintenance of tennis courts at City Park

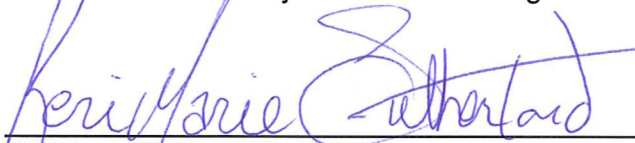
The maintenance of the tennis courts is the responsibility of the city so if a Board member sees anything that needs to be fixed or has an idea of how to improve the courts, please let Berndt know.

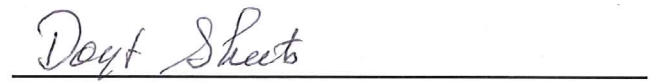
7. New Agenda Items

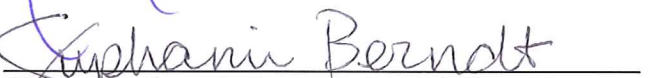
- a) Review requirements for being on the Board
- b) Planting trees for Arbor Day (or in conjunction with Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off)
- c) Adding lights to walking trail at Willow Grove Park

8. Adjournment

Sutherland adjourned the meeting at 8:34 PM.


KeriMarie Sutherland, Chairperson


Doyt Sheets, Secretary


Stephanie Berndt, Community Relations Manager