

**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 January 26, 2015 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 7:08 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

No one came forward to speak

4. Board Member Reports

a) Follow up on potential dog park

Reminder that any interested parties can attend a workshop to discuss ideas for a potential dog park on Monday, March 2nd at 7 pm in the conference room at City Hall.

b) Review requirements for being on board

The board members reviewed the sections of the City's Charter, Code and Policy & Procedure Guide that pertained to the Parks, Recreation and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board. During review, some conflicting/outdated information was identified. This will be reviewed, corrected and presented at the next meeting. Once approved, all materials will be included in a new board member welcome packet.

c) Planting trees for Arbor Day (or in conjunction with Trash-Off)

The Trash-Off has grown in size every year so there may be an opportunity to use some volunteers to plant trees and miscellaneous plants in predetermined areas. Sutherland will work with Berndt to create some specific ideas for how to implement this.

d) Follow up on adding lights to walking trail at Willow Grove Park

Sutherland identified some safety concerns about the walking trail at Willow Grove Park and suggested that adding lighting may help. Nelson agreed with the concerns and thought the board should brainstorm ideas for improving safety/usability of the trail. This will be kept on the agenda for future discussion.

5. Business

a) Motion to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2015 meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2015 meeting was made by Steven Brunson and seconded by Doyt Sheets. Ayes: KeriMarie Sutherland, Steven Brunson, Doyt Sheets and Cindy Nelson. Noes: None. Motion passed.

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

Berndt purchased individual hand warmers to hand out to the public in case of cold weather. Berndt also looked into ideas for recycling at the event. This year event boxes from Waste Management will be used but, in March, Waste Management will be donating 30 plastic carts to the city that can be turned into recycling bins. Captain Frazier is working on lighting ideas for the parking lot. Al Nelson professional services will be supplying electricity for the food vendors. The board members decided that only adults should be allowed to enter the Crawfish Eating Contest.

c) **Discussion of Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off event scheduled for Saturday, April 11, 2015**
Brunson suggested incorporating education about recycling (possibly from Waste Management) into the event. Both Brunson and Berndt will try to contact someone at Waste Management. Sutherland and Berndt will look into ideas about possibly planting some trees and/or plants during the event.

d) **Discussion of Lake Cities 4th of July event scheduled for Saturday, July 4, 2015**
Eleven Hundred Springs is not available to play at the Lake Cities 4th of July event this year. However, the lead singer, Matt Hillyer, and his band are available and are willing to play from 7-9 PM. Another singer, Jake Ward, has been booked to play from 5-6 PM. We are also thinking about booking Jake as the MC for the Battle of the Bands. A third band, Pusher Betty – based out of Lake Dallas, has been booked to play sometime in the morning. Berndt is starting work on alternatives to the carnival and ideas for the Battle of the Bands.

6. Community Relations Manager Report

No new items

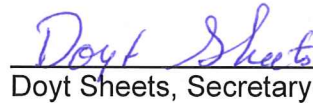
7. New Agenda Items

- a) Repairing concrete picnic tables in Willow Grove Park
- b) Adding electricity to pavilion in Willow Grove Park

8. Adjournment

Sutherland adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.


Kerri Marie Sutherland, Chairperson


Doyt Sheets, Secretary


Stephanie Berndt, Community Relations Manager