

**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 March 16, 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, Margaret McCarty and Stephanie Berndt (staff)

Absent: None

3. Visitors/Citizens Agenda

No one came forward to speak

4. Board Member Reports

a) Follow up on charter, code and policy about Board

Berndt reported that the policy presented at the last meeting was never officially approved and therefore is null and void. The discrepancies between the charter and code will be identified and corrected.

b) Follow up on planting trees for Arbor Day (or in conjunction with Trash-Off)

Berndt reported that it is a possibility to purchase trees and have volunteers plant them the day of the event. Pricing for trees would need to be researched and coordination of care after they are planted would need to be discussed with the Public Works department. If trees are purchased, they could potentially be planted in place of a few trees that died along Lake Dallas Drive.

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

The board discussed and agreed that adding lights to the walking trail was not the best option to improve safety.

d) Follow up on workshop about discussing potential dog park

Berndt will look into scheduling a meeting with the CDC on one of their regular meeting nights to discuss the idea of a dog park.

5. Business

a) Motion to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2015 meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2015 meeting was made by Steven Brunson and seconded by Doyt Sheets. Ayes: KeriMarie Sutherland, Steven Brunson, Doyt Sheets, Cindy Nelson and Margaret McCarty. Noes: None. Motion passed.

b) Post event discussion of 2015 Mardi Gras event - cancelled

The board unanimously agreed that Berndt should look into indoor facilities that we can host the event at next year. The board also unanimously agreed that the event should be moved to the Saturday before Fat Tuesday.

c) Discussion of Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off event scheduled for Saturday, April 11, 2015

Sutherland will give the safety speech again this year. Breakfast will be served at Willow Grove Park in an effort to reduce the number of locations volunteers must travel to. Rubber coated work gloves with the Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful logo will be our giveaways. We will try something new this year and use 5 gallon buckets to pick up trash and then empty them into garbage bags. This will limit waste by ensuring trash bags are full before they are put in the dumpster therefore reducing the number of bags we use. Buckets will be reused for future events.

d) Discussion of Lake Cities 4th of July event scheduled for Saturday, July 4, 2015

Sheets suggested we honor the teachers that were supposed to be grand marshals for Mardi Gras as grand marshals for our 4th of July parade and everyone agreed. The board asked Berndt to look into having the Mighty Thomas Carnival at 4th of July. Sutherland suggested asking radio hosts to volunteer as judges for the Battle of the Bands. Nelson suggested asking someone in the music department at UNT to be a judge. Berndt confirmed that Victory Life Church will be offering free horseback rides again this year. Nelson had a few people in mind who could sing the National Anthem at the flag ceremony so she will talk to them and report back.

6. Community Relations Manager Report

- a) Troop 208 completed an eagle scout project at Willow Grove Park. They built a bird house and a bat house.
- b) The Kelly Miller Circus will be at City Park Tuesday, March 17th. It is sponsored by Lake Cities United Methodist Church.
- c) The Citywide Cleanup is scheduled for this Saturday, March 21st.
- d) Beginning the week of March 23rd, Waste Management will collect your old 35-gallon recycling cart and replace it with a new 64-gallon recycling cart. The new carts will be green with yellow lids.
- e) The City of Lake Dallas will be launching a new website on Thursday, April 9th.

7. New Agenda Items

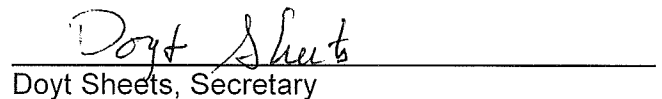
- a) Removing stickers in grass at City Park
- b) Adding benches around sandbox at Willow Grove Park

8. Adjournment

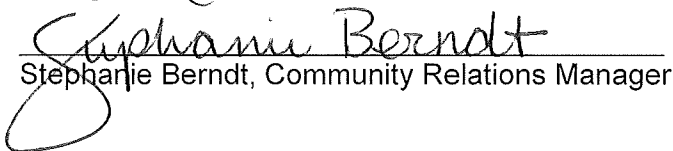
Sutherland adjourned the meeting at 8:47 PM.



KerimMarie Sutherland, Chairperson



Doyt Sheets, Secretary



Stephanie Berndt, Community Relations Manager