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The Parks Advisory Board of the City of Palestine convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 04, 2020 at 12:00 p.m., by telephone/video conference, with the following people present: Chairman Mike Kelly; Board Members, Diane Davis, Thelma Holland, Ernesto Hernandez, and Jeana McLelland. Jessica Jones joined at 12:08 p.m.

Staff present: Parks & Rec. Director Patsy Smith, Parks & Rec. Assistant Director Ricky Dorsey, Parks &, Admin. Assistant April Jackson, and City Secretary Teresa Herrera.

Others present: City Manager Leslie Cloer.

Board Member Billy Miller was absent.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum present, Committee Member Diane Davis called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

#### **PROPOSED CHANGES OF AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no proposed changes.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES**

No action was taken.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Smith presented the monthly report for July 2020. Director Smith presented pictures of the ADA swing installation at Reagan Park. She also informed Parks Board that an ADA swing has been ordered for Green's Park and also the borders for the fall surface. She discussed the removal of broken playground equipment at Reagan Park, complaints about the portable toilet at Green's Parks, and about open manholes at Green's Park. Director Smith thanked all sponsors for the ADA swing at Reagan Park.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Committee Member Thelma Holland made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Jeana McLelland, to approve minutes from June 02, 2020, meeting as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 6-0.

# **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

1. Consider and take action on adjusting the cleaning schedule for the portable toilets located at Reagan Park.

Director Smith discussed that due to the high usage at the park for the Parks Board to consider adjusting the cleaning schedule from 3 times to 7 times per week. Smith informed the board of the constant complaints of the conditions of the portable toilets. Board Member suggested to clean the portable toilets 5 times per week instead of 7 times per week. Director Smith did suggest by October to change the cleaning schedule back to 3 times per week.

Board Member Thelma Holland made a motion, seconded by Board Member Jeana McLelland, to change cleaning from 3 times per week to 5 times per week with Patsy determining which days to clean. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 6-0.

2. Discuss and take action regarding future improvements at Phillip's Park; hear a proposal by Vernon Denmon with Veteran Services.

Director Smith shared with the board the area map of Veteran's Park, as well as her plans to revamp the park. She shared her goal to have veterans able to locate their bricks in the park. She also explained the engraving on many of the bricks at the park has faded over time, and some of the bricks are not able to be identified. Director Smith informed the board of the options to replacing the bricks and also using granite stone. She informed board she would also have quotes from monument companies for next board meeting.

Proposal by Vernon Denmon would be moved to September's Board Meeting.

3. Discuss and take action regarding future improvements at Veteran's Park; hear a proposal by Vernon Denmon with Veteran Services

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## **ADJOURN**

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Vice- President Diane Davis at 12:37 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6TH DAY OF JULY, 2021.

Mike Kelly, Chairman

ATTEST:

pril Jackson, Admin. Assistant