

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JONESTOWN PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MEETING
HELD OCTOBER 16, 6:30 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER,
18649 FM 1431, SUITE 3A, JONESTOWN, TEXAS.**

Chair: Colleen O'Brien (Place 3) Vice Chair: Patricia Buckley (Place 4)	Charles McCormick (Place 1) Ellen Koncak (Place 2) Darell Dansby (Place 5)	Michael Latos (Alternate 1) Vacant (Alternate 2)
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A. ITEMS OPENING MEETING:

1. CALL TO ORDER **CHAIR COLLEEN O'BRIEN**

Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair O'Brien, Members Koncak and McCormick

Staff Present: Ann DaPrato, Parks Coordinator

Guests: Katrina Baldizan

Quorum present

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

No citizen communications

C. GENERAL BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for the September 18, 2023, regular meeting was made by Charles McCormick and seconded by Ellen Koncak. The motion passed unanimously,

2. Project Update from staff on existing and upcoming improvements to the park.

No written report was provided to the Board. DaPrato indicated the staff will work on the items identified in the Year 1 budget starting in January. Currently focusing on events. No progress noted on improving the playscape, restrooms, or the roadway to Boat Ramp 3 in Jones Brothers Park.

3. Discussion and possible action on the upcoming park related events.

a. JTown 5K - DaPrato met with Chief Taylor to address road closures.

b. Other events

i. Police Department is sponsoring the Fall Festival on October 23rd. There will be no Trunk or Treat vehicles.

ii. Brookshire Brothers with be providing the food for the Community Thanksgiving on Nov. 16th.

iii. The Hometown Holiday proposed on Dec. 1 will have more decorations and a live tree. DaPrato asked for volunteers. O'Brien and Koncak agreed to volunteer.

4. Discussion on needs assessment for large playscape in Jones Brothers Park.

DaPrato indicated she needed another assessment to modify the budget to include the improvements to the playscape. The Board feels sufficient assessments have been done since it was identified by the previous Parks Director as a priority item; it was identified as the top priority item by the Parks Board members, park staff, and City Council liaison in the 2022-2023 fiscal budget with \$34,000 identified then to improve it; and at the October City Council committee meeting it was discussed and Alterman Nelson indicated \$200,00 should be put aside to replace it.

5. Discuss and possible action on recommendations gathered from Jonestown citizens for improvements to the parks.
Koncak noted she had many positive responses on the Jonestown Saturday Night concert series.

Discussion was held on what type of assessments need to be done according to the new Parks Board communication procedures before the Board can put in a recommendation to the City Council. DaPrato indicated that it could be a citizen's survey or poll, a formal study, focus group, or a town hall meeting.

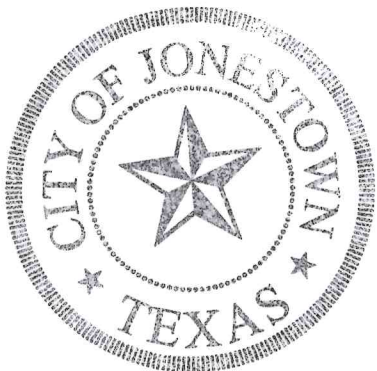
6. Discussion and possible action on Parks Board recommendations to be forwarded to City Council through the Parks Coordinator's monthly report.

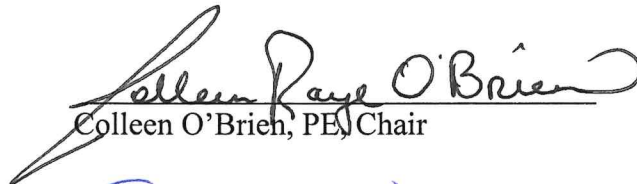
The Parks Board members must adhere to the Open Meetings Act, and all the identified assessment procedures will require City of Jonestown staff prompting and oversight. Therefore, no recommendations can be identified by the Parks Board members without the City's initiation of the needed assessment.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Chairman O'Brien at 7:00 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT THE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING OF
November 20, 2023.




Colleen O'Brien, PE, Chair

ATTEST:


Sandra Barton, City Secretary