

**MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF THE
CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
JUNE 2, 2025**

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lewis called the meeting to order June 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Tracye Lewis, Chair - Place 1
Thomas Osen, Board Member - Place 3
Kieran McMahon, Board Member - Place 4 (arrived at 6:28 p.m.)
Charles Mather, Vice-Chair - Place 5
Mel Delaney, Board Member - Place 6
Sean Nutt, Board Member - Place 7
Andrew Rivera, Board Alternate

Board Members Absent:

Crystal Blake - Place 2

Staff Members Present:

Tanner Arwine, Assistant Director
Antonio Evangelista, Assistant Director
Stephanie Hee-Johnston, NRH2O General Manager
Michael Wilson, Park Planning Manager
Cindy Dobbs, Office Coordinator

Staff Members Absent:

Adrien Pekurney, Director

A.1 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to speak from the public.

B. ACTION ITEMS

B.1 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING.

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A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER DELANEY, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER NUTT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

C. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

C.1 NRH2O FAMILY WATER PARK UPDATE

Ms. Stephanie Hee-Johnston, NRH2O General Manager, provided an update on activities at NRH2O Family Water Park.

-Park has been open for the 2025 Season since May 3. Hiring has been going well to ensure that all departments are well-staffed. Fifty-two percent of NRH2O's team is returning from last year.

-The 17th Annual Music Fest wrapped up on May 22. The park hosted over 15,300 total attendees representing 200 schools, coming as far as Waco and Royce City.

-Dive-In Movies are back this year: June 21 and July 12. A drone show is scheduled for July 26.

-Repairs and updates continue throughout the park while it is open, always focusing on safety. This also includes new signage to assist visitors.

-Mr. Michael Wilson, Park Planning Manager, gave an update on the new Nitro Blast ride.

C.2 PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Mr. Michael Wilson, Park Planning Manager, presented an update on capital projects.

-Kay Granger & Legacy Park Playground Replacement will be happening soon.

-2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan is currently in contract negotiations. Staff hopes to bring this to City Council at the second meeting in August.

-City Point Trail Development in Oncor Easement: Construction plans are complete and an Oncor encroachment agreement has been executed. A Request for Bids (RFB) will be released this month.

C.3 PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Tanner Arwine, Assistant Director, provided an update on parks maintenance and operations activities.

-Annual Tree Planting is complete along Iron Horse Blvd, with a total of 58 trees and irrigation. This project was made possible through a 50/50 match Grant from the Texas AM Forest Service.

-This year is projected to be record-setting in pavilion rentals. Maintenance staff ensures that pavilions are maintained and the areas cleaned between rentals.

-Spring athletics are wrapping up. Several additional tournaments are scheduled in the coming months. Staff will make repairs and improvements during the off season.

-Fossil Creek Park Renovation is complete. There has already been positive feedback on the improved security lighting.

-Staff completed extensive drainage improvements at NRH20 Water Park.

-The Richfield Tennis/Pickleball court conversion project has been completed. This project converted the underutilized tennis court to four additional pickleball courts.

-Cole Construction recently started a drainage improvement project at Green Valley Park. They will be replacing and up-sizing and old, failing drain line from 12" in diameter to 18" in diameter.

C.4 NRH CENTRE, GRAND HALL, ATHLETICS, SENIOR CENTER, RICHLAND TENNIS CENTER, PROGRAMS AND SERVICES UPDATE

Mr. Antonio Evangelista, Assistant Director, presented an update on activities at the NRH Centre, Grand Hall, Athletics, Senior Center, Cultural Arts and Richland Tennis Center.

-Membership Specials are being promoted at the NRH Centre,

-Software system conversion is nearly complete. XPlor Recreation was implemented at the beginning of 2025 and allows a more streamlined experience for members and guests.

-Camp NRH is having another busy year and runs through July 28.

-Aquatics lessons are filling up with over 200 registered for June.

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-Adult Athletics is continuing to be a popular part of the recreation division. Such groups include Pickles n' Paddles and the Gutterball Bowling League.

-The Grand Hall has had the opportunity to host several city events including an employee in service training day in April.

-Richland Tennis Center has been busy with high school district and regional tournaments.

-NRH Senior Center recently conducted its Annual Survey and received 4.8 out of 5, revealing high member satisfaction. They recently hosted their annual health fair, which attracted 430 guests with 55 vendors during their three-hour event. The Senior Center is very grateful for their numerous sponsors that make so many events possible.

-Sounds of Spring Concert Series has wrapped up for the year. Three concerts are scheduled for Fall 2025. Various other gatherings are scheduled, including the NRH Bike & Hike and several Play Today events.

D. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**D.1 COMMUNITY SERVICE MONTHLY REPORTS (MARCH - APRIL)
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD UPDATE (MAY)**

There are no other informational items.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lewis adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.



Tracye Lewis, Chair

ATTEST



Cindy Dobbs, Office Coordinator