

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND
HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
JUNE 3, 2019**

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kusmierski called the meeting to order June 3, 2019 at 6:02 p.m.

Present:	Marty Kusmierski	Chair, Place 5
	Mike Filis	Vice-Chair, Place 7
	Tracye Tipps	Board Member, Place 1
	Russell Mitchell	Board Member, Place 3
	Vanessa Copeland	Board Member, Place 4
Absent:	Dianne Spradling	Board Member, Place 6
	Kenneth Reeves	Board Alternate
Staff Members:	Vickie Loftice	Managing Director
	Bill Thornton	Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation
	Joe Pack	Senior Park Planner
	Tanner Arwine	Parks Assistant Superintendent
	Stephanie Hee	NRH2O Admissions & Promotions Coord.
	Christina Lopez	Office Coordinator

B. CITIZEN PRESENTATION

There were no requests to speak from the public.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C.1 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 26, 2019 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING.

APPROVED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER MITCHELL, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR FILIS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 26, 2019 PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 4-0.

D. PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

E. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

E.1 NRH2O FAMILY WATER PARK UPDATE.

Ms. Stephanie Hee, NRH2O Admissions & Promotions Coordinator, presented an update on activities at NRH2O.

- NRH2O is open for its 25th season.
- NRH2O Music Festival - This year's music festival was the 2nd largest with over 17,000 guests representing more than 225 school groups. Stephanie thanked everyone who assisted them in making the music festival such a success.
- Dive-In Movies will kick off on July 5.
- NRH2O will have Fireworks on the following days, June 15, July 13 and August 3.
- NRH2O will be hosting a *Jaws* themed "after hours" event on Friday, June 28. Guests can enjoy the movie as well as a live DJ, glow items, food specials, photo ops, and giveaways.
- NRH2O will hold the World's Largest Swimming Lesson™ on Thursday, June 20. This will be the tenth year for this global event and TEAM WLSL™ will be setting its sights on a new goal - reaching more than one billion people with the message *Swimming Lessons Save Lives™*.

E.2 PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE.

Mr. Bill Thornton, Assistant Director, presented an update on the following Parks Capital Projects:

- Linda Spurlock Park - Staff met at the Park recently to visualize the concepts of the redevelopment options and discuss constraints and opportunities.
- Iron Horse Golf Course Improvements - GolfScapes was selected to provide professional services and construction oversight of the improvements to Iron Horse Golf Course. A pre-design kick-off meeting was held on May 10, 2019 to discuss pertinent issues related to the project. Bids for construction are anticipated to be released in early September with construction beginning in mid-November 2019 through the end of July 2020. The golf course is 30 years old and resides almost

entirely in the floodway. Over the years flooding has deteriorated the fairways, bunkers and greens. Renovations are needed to address these issues and keep the course competitive and attract golfers. Board Member Mitchell asked if it were possible to get the US Army Corp of Engineers involved to address the creek corridor. Staff responded that they did not know the answer to that question, but will check with city engineers. Board Member Copeland asked if the golf course was shutting down during the renovations. Staff responded that we are looking at alternatives such as keeping the front six holes and driving range open. Staff will receive recommendations from the consultant.

E.3 PARK MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS UPDATE.

Mr. Tanner Arwine, Parks Assistant Superintendent, presented an update on parks maintenance projects.

- Storm damage - Recent spring storms damaged an abundance of park trees. Staff is also trying to address drainage issues identified by the recent storms.
- Park staff are continuing to prep the fields for summer tournaments and sports camps.
- Mr. Arwine stated that they are extremely pleased with the new general mowing contractor, Smith Lawn and Tree.

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

Ms. Vickie Loftice, Managing Director, presented an update on activities at the NRH Centre, Grand Hall, Athletics, Senior Center and the Tennis Center.

- Youth camps are currently open for enrollment.
- The Grand Hall has done a great job exceeding their projected revenues and anticipate exceeding \$500,000 for the year.
- 'Round the Town Bike Ride will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at Cross Timbers Park. The July 2 ride will begin at Richfield Park.
- 'Round the Town Monthly Walks also continue. The next walk is scheduled for Thursday, June 6 at City Hall and July 11 at Linda Spurlock Park.
- The NRH Senior Center continues to offer creative and innovative programs for the seniors. They include "Flip-Flop Bunco Bash" and "Joke and Floats".
- Richland Tennis Center will be hosting the USTA Men's Playoffs on May 31 - June 2 as well as multiple other tournaments through the summer.
- NRH Cultural Arts is accepting submissions for the "Virtual Art Gallery" to be displayed online June 27 - August 10.
- NRH Poets Corner continues with its bi-monthly scheduled at Roots Coffeehouse

on Saturday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m.

- The Northeast Tarrant Family 4th Celebration and Fireworks Show will be held on July 4 beginning at 5:00 p.m. with children's activities. A live concert from 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. will feature vocalist Holly Tucker of NBC's "The Voice" fame. Fireworks will start at approximately 9:30 p.m.

F. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

F.1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE MONTHLY REPORTS (MARCH & APRIL)

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD UPDATES (APRIL & MAY)

There were no other informational items.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kusmierski adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Marty Kusmierski, Chair

ATTEST:

Christina Lopez, Office Coordinator