

CITY OF HURST

COUNTY OF TARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS

On the 17th day of February 2011, at 6:00 p.m., the Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Regular Meeting at the Hurst Public Library, 901 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Alan Neace)	Chairman
Carol Cole)	Members
Pat King)	
Rod Robertson)	
Howard Shotwell)	
Hank Williams)	
Delbert Derrett)	Alternates
Alan Heindel)	Deputy City Manager
Doug McDaniel)	Recreation Manager
Malaika Marion)	Assistant to the Deputy City Manager
Jeanne Coons)	Senior Secretary

With the following members absent: Ralph Hurd and Estelle Teague, constituting a quorum, at which time the following business was transacted:

I. Alan Neace called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Allan Heindel stated that Doug McDaniel, Recreation Manager, was attending this month's meeting in place of Doug Kratz, who resigned from the City to accept a similar position with the City of Coppell.

II. **Roll Call of Members:** Jeanne Coons conducted the Roll Call of Members.

Allan Neace stated that alternate member, Delbert Derrett would be eligible to vote at tonight's meeting due to the absence of regular member Ralph Hurd.

III. **Approval of Minutes:** Carol Cole made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2011, regular meeting. Pat King seconded the motion.

AYES: Members – Cole, Derrett, King, Neace, Robertson, Shotwell, Williams

NOES: None

IV. **Staff Report:**

A. **Director's Report:**

1. **January Participation Report:** Doug McDaniel presented the January statistics.

Recreation Center	24,615
Tennis Center	1,034
Facility Rentals	27

Mr. McDaniel reported a slight decrease in attendance at the Recreation Center from last year. He stated that these decreases are probably due to the fee increases that went into effect in January 2010, along with a decrease in open play basketball and racquetball. Mr. McDaniel also reported that the registration figures for the winter session of the Classroom program, showed a slight decrease from last year, but registration is still on-going.

Mr. McDaniel reported a very steady month at the Tennis Center. He stated that court rentals decreased 2% from last year's figures, and although lessons were down slightly, league play and the junior development program both showed increases from last year. He commented that these increases reflect new classes and an earlier start day for league play this year.

Mr. McDaniel reported that the facility rental program remains very popular, with steady figures for the Brookside Center, park pavilions, and Recreation Center meeting room rentals.

2. **Classroom Program Highlight:** Doug McDaniel reported that this month's highlight features Esther White, MS, RD, CSSD, LD, who is a registered dietitian and fitness professional with a passion for helping others find success and joy in their health. Mr. McDaniel stated that in addition to being the City's Wellness Coordinator, Ms. White has taught nutrition and fitness classes at the Recreation Center for the past 10 years and averages 50 students per session teaching such classes as Nutrition Counseling, cycle, strength, and running.

Allan Heindel commented that Ms. White was heavily involved in the original "Walk with the Mayor," which led to the current "Healthy Hurst" program, as well as the "Walktober," "New Year, New You," and "Dash and Splash" programs.

B. **Special Events:**

1. **2010 Chisholm Pond Fish Stocking Program:** Doug McDaniel reported that the annual catfish stocking program is currently underway at the Chisholm Park Pond. Mr. McDaniel reminded the Board that this is a cooperative program between the city and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

2. **Daddy & Daughter Valentine's Ball Update:** A recap of the Daddy & Daughter Valentine's Ball was provided to the Board. Doug McDaniel reported that the eighth annual Daddy & Daughter Valentine's Ball was held on February 13 at the Recreation Center. Mr. McDaniel reported that a total of 237 tickets were sold for the event.
 3. **TAAF State Basketball Tournaments:** Doug McDaniel reminded the Board that the City of Hurst will host two (2) Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) State Basketball Tournaments at the Recreation Center this year. The first tournament, the Men's "Six Feet & Under," will be held March 12-13 at the Recreation Center. He stated that 12 to 16 teams are expected to participate. Mr. McDaniel stated that the second state tournament, the Men's "Church" Division, is scheduled for March 25-26, at the Recreation Center. He stated that 12-16 teams are expected to participate in the event, as well. Mr. McDaniel commented that these tournaments are a very good economic impact tool for Hurst, as most of the teams involved are from outside the DFW Metroplex area, and will be utilizing the various hotels, restaurants, and retail stores in Hurst.
 4. **EGGstravaganza:** Doug McDaniel reported that the City's annual EGGstravaganza event is scheduled for Saturday, April 16, at the Community Park. Mr. McDaniel reported that activities would begin at 1:00 p.m., with the egg hunt starting at 2:00 p.m.
- C. Works in Progress:** (Report distributed to Board in their packets – Allan Heindel briefly highlighted the report.)
1. **Cottonbelt Trail System:** The contractor is currently working on the Colleyville portion of the project. The Little Bear Creek pedestrian bridge abutment re-design is in progress to avoid the encroachment onto the Corp of Engineer Natural Resource Protection Zone. The bridge should be installed in early April.
 2. **Athletic Complex Landscape Improvements:** Staff is investigating possible improvements to the landscape at the Athletic Complex.
 3. **Library Landscape Renovations:** The landscape design has been approved and should be installed beginning in March.
 4. **Rickel Park Channel Improvements:** Hurst's Public Works Department staff has met with the City of Euless staff, and Euless has started with the necessary repairs to the channel. Allan Heindel reported that information regarding the erosion on the hill area of the park would be provided at next month's meeting.

5. **2011 Aquatics Centers Repairs:** The contractor is continuing with the various repairs at both Aquatics Centers. Allan Heindel reported that the cracked PebbleTec-brand surface has been replaced with blue stained concrete to match the blue slides and surrounding areas. Mr. Heindel also reported that the steps in the receiving pool were replaced.
6. **Mayfair Park Development:** Installation of the ADA accessible entry and vehicular deterrents at Yates Drive will begin next month after the new stone blocks are delivered. Allan Heindel reported that the decorative stone blocks are ready to be delivered and that work on the ADA access and vehicular deterrent change order will begin next month. Mr. Heindel also reported that the contractor is working on filling in the low spots with new turf, which will be irrigated. An aerial photo of the park was displayed for the Board.
7. **Chisholm Park Bridge Repair:** The two small foot bridges in Chisholm Park should be completed by early March. Several photos of the project were displayed for the Board.
9. **Parks System Security Cameras:** Staff is investigating the installation of security cameras at the Tennis Center.

D. Staff Activities

1. **March and April Calendars:** The March and April calendars of events were included in the Board members' packets. Doug McDaniel reported that the spring Adult Basketball League registration begins on March 14 and that the spring session of the Classroom Program will begin on March 21. He also stated that Aquatics Center facility reservations for Hurst residents would begin March 28. Mr. McDaniel stated that the Recreation and Tennis Centers will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 24, however, both centers would be open on Good Friday, April 22

V. Report of the Committee: None to discuss at this time.

VI. Communications: None to discuss at this time.

VII. Unfinished Business: None to discuss at this time.

VIII. New Business: None to discuss at this time.

IX. Information Items:

- A. **Cottonbelt Trail Easement Review:** Allan Heindel reported that the Hurst homeowners living adjacent to the project area were sent letters from the City informing them that their fence lines were inside the project's easement, and as a result, their fences would have to be relocated. Mr. Heindel stated that the City has asked the homeowners to

sign an Easement Encroachment Agreement which will allow them to relocate their fences five feet from the concrete trail edge.

Mr. Heindel reported that the trail work is currently being completed in Colleyville. He also reported that the bridge has been ordered and will be delivered and installed in April. He stated that the bridge will span across Little Bear Creek.

Hank Williams asked how long the Cottonbelt Trail was. Mr. Heindel stated that Hurst's portion was one mile and that he would check on the total length of the trail.

- B. Chisholm Park Erosion:** Allan Heindel reported that in a previous Board meeting, Rod Robertson had asked a question about the erosion in Chisholm Park. Mr. Heindel stated that due to the shade of post oak trees, turf is unable to grow in that area. He stated that staff will monitor the area and clean-up after each rainfall to keep the area maintained. Several photos of erosion were displayed.
- C. Masterworks at Heritage Village Plaza:** Allan Heindel reported that there will be a special outdoor concert at Heritage Village Plaza, on Friday, April 8, at 12:00 p.m., sponsored by the Master Works Concert series. Mr. Heindel stated that Heritage Village Plaza is a great venue for this type of concert as the plaza area has covered arbors and a staging area.
- D. March Meeting Discussion:** Allan Heindel reported that the City's annual Boards and Commissions Banquet is scheduled for Thursday, March 24th, at the Hurst Conference Center. He reminded the Board that, in previous years, the Board had agreed that the banquet would serve as their regular meeting for that month.

Pat King made a motion to cancel the regular Board meeting for March with the understanding that the Boards and Commissions Banquet would serve as the March meeting. Rod Robertson seconded the motion.

AYES: Members – Cole, Derrett, King, Neace, Robertson, Shotwell, Williams

NOES: None

X. Board Member and Citizen Comments.

- XI. Adjournment:** Rod Robertson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Hank Williams seconded the motion.

AYES: Members – Cole, Derrett, Hurd, King, Neace, Robertson, Shotwell, Williams

NOES: None

Alan Neace adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

APPROVED THIS THE _____ day of _____, 2011

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CHAIRMAN:

ATTEST:
Recording Secretary