

**MINUTES OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
**July 7, 2009**

**Call To Order**

- 10 The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Glenn Varner with the following Board members present: Brandi Patterson, Pam Kitkoski, Marcus Yarbrough, and Kevin Moffatt. Chandra Karlen and Herb Moltzan were absent.

15 **Approval of Minutes**

- The preliminary draft of minutes from the previous Park Board meeting on June 2, 2009 was provided to the Board for their review and approval. Pam Kitkoski made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Brandi Patterson seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with five in favor.
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**Appointment with Joe Lalumia Regarding Astronomy Park**

- Mr. Lamulia was present to discuss modifications to the Shores Park. Mr. Lamulia is an amateur astronomer and a member of the Texas Astronomical Society. He and his group have held monthly "Star Parties" in the Shores Park for the last several months and prior to that, they used Harry Myers Park. He requested to add either concrete or crushed granite squares and circles in the turf play area to facilitate their star watching parties that are free and open to the public. He also requested modifications to the existing security lighting and suggested new lighting standards. In addition to the requests above, he requested additional fencing and electrical service to the area. The Board discussed the modifications and came to the conclusion that there are not sufficient funds for the modifications requested and at this time, they could not support his request.
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35 **Report on Legislative Session**

- Mr. Griggs provided the Board with a report on the Legislative Session and the legislative platform adopted by the Texas Recreation and Park Society Board of Directors. According to Mr. Griggs, the platform was based on potential threats to the local park grant program, preserving the funding level approved during the previous session through the passage of HB 12 during the 80<sup>th</sup> Session and opposing any bills that are considered to be negative towards the advancement of parks and recreation opportunities in Texas. The TRAPS Legislative Committee members talked weekly for six months. Both TRAPS and Texas Parks and Wildlife worked to provide a seamless transition of parks throughout the State from tot lots to State and National Parks.
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**Staff Report on Jewel Park Construction Update**

- Mr. Griggs provided the Board with an update on the Jewel Park Construction. Provided in the presentation were photos from the water sand table to be installed in the park.
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### **Staff Report on Aquatics**

Mr. Griggs provided the Board with an update on the Municipal Pool revenue and attendance numbers. The pool numbers through the end of June were as follows:

- 55      ☐ Myers Total Public and Daycare attendance was 3563. Total Revenue was \$5113.  
         ☐ Gloria Williams Total attendance was 331. Total Revenue was \$184.

### **Adjournment**

- 60      There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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