

Parks and Open Space  
Board Meeting  
March 24, 2015  
7:00 p.m.  
City Hall – 665 Country Club Road  
**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Rhoads called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Chairman David Rhoads  
Vice Chairman Christopher Vanhorn  
Member Valerie Turnbow  
Member Kenneth Patterson  
Alternate Member Amber Patteson  
City Council Member Steve Duke

**Absent:**

Member Brenda Rizos  
Alternate Member Jerry Straka

**Staff:**

City Manager Joni Clarke  
Development Services Director Joe Hillbourn  
City Secretary Stacy Henderson

Chairman Rhoads determined that a Quorum was present and reminded all in attendance to silence their cell phones. The Board conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Regular Agenda**

- 1. Consider approval of the minutes from the February 2, 2015 and the March 3, 2015 Parks and Open Space Board meeting.**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Member Turnbow, seconded by Member Patterson to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

- 2. Consider recommending to City Council approval of Ordinance 2015-03-00812 amending Chapter 1, Article 1.09, Parks and Recreation, Section 1.09.062 Conduct Prohibited in Parks, paragraph (1) of the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances regarding conduct that is prohibited in city parks.**

City Manager Clarke stated the Ordinance had been updated to reflect the Board's discussions to allow commercial related recreational activities in the park.

Member Turnbow asked if a farmers market would be allowed as part of the revised ordinance.

City Manager Clarke stated the Ordinance addresses commercial recreational activities and not retail sales.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Vice Chairman Vanhorn and seconded by Member Patterson to recommend approval of Ordinance 2015-03-00812 amending Chapter 1, Article 1.09, Parks and Recreation, Section 1.09.062 Conduct Prohibited in Parks, paragraph (1) of the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances regarding conduct that is prohibited in city parks. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

3. **Consider the financial resources necessary for fiscal year 14/15 for proposed Parks and Open projects and consider proposed projects for the fiscal year 15/16 budget with recommendations to be provided to City Council.**

City Manager Clarke gave a presentation outlining projects and associated costs the Parks Board has designated for the 14/15 fiscal year. City Manager Clarke also discussed and made suggestions for fiscal year 15/16.

The Board discussed funding for the Scarecrow Contest associated with Founders Day and funds for promotional products.

Member Turnbow discussed the Keep Lucas Beautiful program and educational needs for that event. Member Turnbow discussed implementing educational programs at local schools and requested an additional \$1,000 be added at mid-year for educational items related to Keep Lucas Beautiful efforts.

Member Turnbow discussed activities at Founders Day relating to Keep Lucas Beautiful and having a booth at the event promoting a membership drive.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Vice Chairman Vanhorn and seconded by Member Turnbow to recommend making the necessary request for funding for the current fiscal year at the mid-year budget review on May 7 with the addition of \$1,000 for promotional items and to place 15/16 budget requests on upcoming agendas to discuss further. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

4. **Consider sending a representative from the Parks and Open Space Board to attend the Keep Texas Beautiful Blazing Trails to a Beautiful Texas 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held June 15-17, 2015 at the Omni Hotel in Fort Worth.**

The Board elected Member Turnbow to attend the Keep Texas Beautiful Annual Conference.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Member Turnbow, seconded by Member Patterson to send Member Turnbow to the Keep Texas Beautiful Blazing Trails to a Beautiful Texas 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held June 15-17, 2015 at the Omni Hotel in Fort Worth. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**5. Update on the Keep Lucas Beautiful Cleanup Event scheduled for April 25, 2015.**

Development Services Director Hilbourn gave a presentation stating all supplies had been ordered for the cleanup event as well as refreshments afterwards. The route was discussed as well as safety along the roadways.

Member Turnbow volunteered to create a flyer to send to local churches or schools to promote the event.

**6. Update from Member Brenda Rizos regarding the forming of an exploratory committee for an indoor arena on the leased North Texas Municipal Water District property.**

Member Rizos was not in attendance for this meeting, the item will be placed on the April agenda.

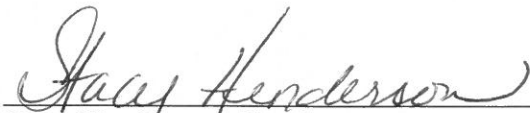
**7. Adjournment.**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Vice Chairman Vanhorn, seconded by Member Patterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.



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David Rhoads, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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Stacy Henderson, City Secretary