



AGENDA
WATAUGA PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7105 WHITLEY ROAD
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER (Council Members, City Staff, Members of the Public - when speaking during the meeting please speak directly into the microphones on the dais or podium)

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATIONS

1. Upcoming Parks & Community Services special events
Timothy Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director
2. Recognition of outstanding volunteer
Timothy Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director

PUBLIC COMMENT Individual citizens addressing the Board during Public Comment shall not exceed three (3) minutes in their comments; however, the Chair may extend or reduce the speaker's allotted time in order to conduct an efficient and effective public meeting. The time allotted shall not be donated to others desiring to speak. Public Comment is not established to engage in a conversation with the Board and no formal action will be taken.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS Only those persons who submit a completed Request to Speak form prior to the agenda item being introduced by the Chair will be allowed to speak on agenda items set for action (this doesn't include presentations or reports). The Chair shall ask each person requesting to speak to approach the podium when called to speak. Speakers time shall generally not exceed three (3) minutes in their comments and all comments must be germane to the specific agenda item being discussed; however, the Chair may extend or reduce the speaker's allotted time. Speakers shall not be permitted to donate their time to other speakers. Members of the City Council may ask questions or discuss the item directly with the citizen during the citizen's testimony if necessary. Any discussion between a Council member and the citizen will not count toward the time limit and Council Members are encouraged not to speak until the citizen has first utilized their allocated time.

REPORTS

1. Update on Parks, Recreation, & Senior Services
Timothy Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director
Brian TenEyck, Parks Superintendent
2. Recap of the 2023 WataugaFest event
Timothy Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Director

CONSENT AGENDA All of the items on the consent agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion, one second, and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items.

1. Consider approval of the minutes from the Parks Advisory Board meeting on May 2, 2023
Linda Proskey, City Secretary

ACTION ITEMS

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

ADJOURNMENT

☐ NOTICE

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT (817) 514-5825 OR FAX (817) 514-3625 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

I, Linda Proskey, City Secretary for the City of Watauga, hereby certify that this agenda was posted on the bulletin boards at City Hall, 7105 Whitley Road, Watauga, Texas, on 6/30/2023, before 5:00 p.m., in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.



Linda Proskey, City Secretary





Watauga Parks & Community Services Upcoming Special Events

July 14, 2023 – Movie in the Park (Top Gun: Maverick) – sunset (8:38ish)

@ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater

August 11, 2023 – Movie in the Park (Encanto) – sunset (8:18ish)

@ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater

September 8, 2023 – Concert in the Park (Michael Hix) – 7pm

@ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater

September 15-16, 2023 – Kids Fishin' Derby & Campout 5p-10a

@ Capp Smith Park

September 22, 2023 – Movie in the Park (Super Mario Brothers) – sunset (7:26ish)

@ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater

October 20, 2023 – Movie in the Park (Hotel Transylvania: Transformania) – 7pm

@ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater

October 21, 2023 – Running Scared 5k – 8:30am

@ Watauga Community Center

October 28, 2023 – Halloween Bash – 5-8pm

@ Watauga Community Center

November 10, 2023 – Veteran’s Day Celebration – 9-11:30am

@ Watauga Community Center & Capp Smith Park

December 2, 2023 – Hometown Christmas – 5-8pm

@ Capp Smith Park

Inquire @ thamilton@cowtx.org or 817-514-5890 about Volunteer, Sponsorship, & Participation Opportunities at each special event!

Watauga Parks and Community Services Info

May & June 2023

Recreation:

- Membership check-ins – 4,629 (Senior, Adult, Family, Youth, & day passes) – down 27 vs. last period
- Rentals – Foster Village Cottage - 23, Capp Smith Park Amphitheater/Cabanas/Pavilions 43, Community Center Gym – 40
- A Splashpad Opening day event sponsored by Aviator Dentistry was held on 05/06/23
- A highly successful 2023 WataugaFest Pacific Islander themed event was held 05/18 – 05/21/23 with over 27.5k in attendance
- Assisted with a City employee Pizza in the Park event on 06/08/23 @ Foster Village Park
- Our first Family Field Day was held 06/10/23 @ Indian Springs Park with come and go attendance of approximately 125
- The City of Watauga & ArtsNET presented a FREE Concert in the Park on 06/16/23 @ Capp Smith Park Amphitheater featuring Empty Pockets, a Top 40 - Country variety band with come and go attendance of approximately 100
- The May 2023 Yard of the Month was awarded to 6424 Brookside Dr.
- The June 2023 Yard of the Month was awarded to 7313 Bennington Dr.
- YMCA Youth Volleyball (Watauga Community Center)– Saturdays ended 05/13/23
- i9 Sports Summer League Basketball (Watauga Community Center) – Saturdays started 06/17
- i9 Sports Spring League Soccer @ Indian Springs Park – Saturdays ended 05/13
- i9 Sports Summer League Soccer @ Indian Springs Park – Saturdays started 06/17
- Ten Feet Tall Dance classes – Monday-Thursday & Saturdays (adult & child)
- 10 Feet Tall Dance Intensive Summer Camps to be held 06/19 – 06/22/23, 07/10 – 07/13/23, & 07/17 – 07/20/23
- Krav Maga (Israeli self-defense class) on Monday & Wednesday @ 7pm (adult only)
- Creative Connections class on Mondays & Thursdays from 9am – 1pm went on summer break, returning in September
- Creative Connections Summer Camps to be held 06/19 – 06/23/23, 06/26 – 06/30/23, & 07/24 – 07/28/23
- Double Dutch over 40 Club on Wednesdays from 6pm – 8pm
- Hula classes – Thursdays (adult), Saturdays (child)
- Pickleball – every Tuesday AM, Wednesday PM, & Thursday AM (all levels)

Seniors:

- A Cinco de Mayo & Mother's Day celebration was held on 05/12 @ the Senior Center
- A Community Dance was held on 05/16 @ the Senior Center

- A Father's Day Celebration was held on 06/16/23 @ the Senior Center
- Saturday Nite Jamboree – Saturday's @ 6pm - 9pm @ the Senior Center – singers, musicians, and audience welcome to play or just to listen – 51 attendees avg.
- Walk-A-Bouts – Thursdays @ 8:30am – 5 participants avg.
- Tuesday Music Time from 1 – 3pm - 15 attendees avg.
- Ballroom & Line Dance class – 10 participants avg.
- Chair Volleyball Thursdays @ 9am – 8 participants avg.
- Crafts Thursdays @ 12:30pm – 7 participants avg.
- Daily games occurring Mon – Fri from 9am – 3pm – 36 participants avg.
- Weekly Tarrant Area Food Bank Store – Monday, Wednesday, Friday @ 10:30am – 48 participants avg.
- Don't Forget to Feed Me Pet Food Bank feeding approximately 20 cats (90 lbs.) & 50 dogs (200 lbs.) – 32 participants avg.
- Texas Purls (Knitting Group) (5), Piecemakers (Quilting Group) (8) – Wednesday's from 9am – 12:00pm
- Flyers (electric planes and rubber-band planes) on Wednesdays from 10am – 2:00pm – 13 participants avg.

Parks Division:

- A highly successful 2023 WataugaFest event was held with over 27.5k in attendance
- Assisted the Library in execution of Big Vehicle Day on 06/01 and contributed static displays of Parks vehicles
- Inspected the Highway 377 Green Ribbon project from North Park to Starnes Rd.
- Assisted with first Family Field Day held 06/10/23 @ Indian Springs Park
- Mowing contractors are maintaining City properties according to schedule
- Staff removed graffiti @ Capp Smith, Indian Springs, Foster Village, & Virgil Anthony Parks
- Staff is seeing other continued, destructive vandalism in parks @ Capp Smith, Indian Springs, & Foster Village Parks most recently.
- Splashpad continues to operate correctly with 0 missed days of operation
- The damaged shade canopies @ Capp Smith Park from the 03/02 windstorm were replaced before WataugaFest
- Performed daily duties of removing trash, cleaning restrooms, and general cleaning of the parks
- Staff mowed Watauga Rd. EDC lots, Whites Branch Creek trail, Browning Rd., and Yampa Trl. Lot per the mowing schedule
- The contractor has finished 99% of the work on the section of trail extension @ Whites Branch Creek Trail from the end of Cedar View Ct. that included a low-water crossing in Fort Worth property
- Staff fixed irrigation leaks @ Capp Smith Park & Animal Control
- Staff replaced burned out bulbs at Veteran's Memorial
- Staff cut down 2 trees at Capp Smith Park.
- Staff repaired the white fence along the church boundary at Capp Smith Park
- Replacement parts were installed for a trail light that was out at Capp Smith Park



2023 WataugaFest



Virgil Anthony Park graffiti & vandalism



Family Field Day @ Indian Springs Park



Whites Branch Creek Trail low water crossing (Fort Worth)



**MINUTES
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TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Andra Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Andra Dunn	Chairperson, Place 2
Stanley Hill	Place 1
Kim Irving	Place 3
Tim Bobseine	Secretary, Place 4
Jared Hobbs	Place 5 (Absent Without Notice)
And	
Jan Hill	Council Liaison
Arthur Miner	Mayor
Linda Proskey	City Secretary
Timothy Hamilton	Parks and Recreation Services Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Andra Dunn reminded all PAB Members to complete their annual Cyber Security Training by 30 June

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Timothy Hamilton Watauga Parks and Recreational Services Director made the following Presentation to the board:

1. Upcoming Special Community Events that include

- May 6th 9-11 am Splash Pad season opening celebration at Capp Smith Park
- May 6th 1-3 pm Mother/Son tea at the Recreation Center
- May 18-21 Wataugafest
- Jun 10th Family Field Day games at Indian Springs Park
- Jun 16th Concert in the Park featuring Empty Pockets
- Jul 14th Movie night in the park "Top Gun Maverick" sponsored and underwritten by our very own State Farm Insurance local business

2. The Recreation Center report was briefed by Mr. Hamilton per meeting packet.

Mr. Hamilton announced the April Yard of the Month Recipient with a special shout-out to Stan and Jan Hill for providing a Gift certificate for local business Tony's Pizza as part of the recognition of the April Yard of the Month winner. Board member Bobseine recommended local business sponsors and certificate perks for this competition moving forward to further incentivize resident participation.

Ms. Vickie Vickers briefed the Senior Activities portion of the meeting packet for the PAB.

Note: Ms. Vickers was recognized earlier in the day for her work with Seniors by Tarrant County Judge Tim O'Hare at a ceremony in downtown Fort Worth.

Mr. Brian Teneyck briefed the Parks-specific portion of the meeting packet for the PAB.

Mr. Hamilton then briefed us on planning and coordinating the upcoming Wataugafest Event. Highlights include:

- Pacific Islander themed this year
- "Incognito band" is performing as the Friday night headliner.
- Wrestling demonstrations and gamesmanship
- Saturday bands are "Ghosts of Hill County," "Poo Live Crew," and "Le Freak."

Mr. Hamilton reviewed and spotlighted local business sponsors and underwriters for the Wataugafest event. Community support is key to a successful and diverse event with something to offer to everyone in attendance.

Chairperson Dunn inquired about the pre-sale of Carnival wristbands. Director Hamilton stated that the sale of wristbands is entirely under the direct control of the carnival contractor locally at the event.

Board member Bobseine recommended the possibility of fireworks added to the key night of Wataugafest in the future to hold guests and provide a grand finale closing ceremony for the festival guests. Mr. Hamilton appreciated the feedback and plans for further festival expansion in the future.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Requests for Public comment were not received.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

Requests for Public testimony were not received.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Action item to approve the minutes from the 07 Mar 2023 Parks Advisory Board meeting.**
- 2. Action item to move the next regular PAB scheduled meeting to Thursday 06 Jul at 6pm vice the 4th of July holiday.**

Place 4 Tim Bobseine made motion to approve the consent agenda. Place 1 Stanley Hill second the motion. Chairperson Dunn called for a vote.

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
The motion passed 3-0-0-1

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Make recommendations on revamped upgraded playground designs for Indian Springs and Hillview Parks to City Council.**

Director Hamilton presented the pros and cons of three proposed equipment upgrades at each park to the PAB. Following his presentation, which included layout diagrams of existing playgrounds with the design proposals imposed, a vote on a recommended design for presentation to the City Council followed.

Following Mr. Hamilton's presentations, PAB design Inquiries, and discussions, board member Bobseine made a motion for design "A" s at both Indian Springs Park and Hillview Park to move forward as playground replacement recommendations to City Council. Place 1 Stanley Hill second the motion. Chairperson Dunn called for a vote.

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
The motion passed 3-0-0-1

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Chairperson Dunn requested input for future agenda items. Chairperson Dunn requested adding volunteer and/or instructor recognition for the various city recreation programs and events as a regular agenda item for future meetings. Director Hamilton stated he could support that request. Nothing further for future agendas was requested.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Andra Dunn adjourned the meeting at 7:08 pm

APPROVED: this _____ day of _____, 2023

SIGNED: this _____ day of _____, 2023

APPROVED:

Andra Dunn, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Tim Bobseine, Secretary

