

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF FREEPORT

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 22nd day of September 2009, the Beautification/Parks & Recreation Committee of the City of Freeport, Texas, met in a regular meeting at the Visitor's Center of said city at 5:30 P.M. with the following members present: Margaret McMahan, Eddie Virgil, Susie Pettijohn, Jo Ann Fields, Rosemary Bravo

City Staff: Larry Fansher, Parks Director Liaison: Norma Garcia, City Council Visitors: None

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

SWEAR IN NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Parks Director Larry Fansher swore in returning parks board members Eddie Virgil and Margaret McMahan.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Margaret McMahan made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Rosemary Bravo. All voted in favor of the minutes.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER: YARD OF THE MONTH PROGRAM

Members discussed that board members would share responsibilities in selecting the yard and of the month and share the information with Margaret McMahan who would work closely with city staff to see that signs were placed in yards and certificates presented to property owners.

DISCUSS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION OF NAMING STEVEN F AUSTIN SOFTBALL FIELDS

Discussion was held over the naming of the ball fields at Steven F. Austin. Board member Margaret McMahan volunteered to make the board's recommendation to city council to name the ball fields after Johnny Lawhon, and Billy Mills in Mingo Marquez, Jr. absence should he not be able to attend the meeting.

DISCUSS RECREATION CENTER OCTOBER FALL FESTIVAL

Planning is underway. This year's Fall Festival will be held at RiverPlace on October 30, 2009. Parks Board members are invited to attend.

DISCUSS DECEMBER HOLIDAY ON THE BRAZOS EVENT

Planning is underway. This year's Holiday on the Brazos is scheduled for December 3, 2009. Parks Board members are invited to participate in the program.

DISCUSS WINTER YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Youth basketball registration is underway. Basketball coaches are being recruited. The program will be held at the Freeport Intermediate School for six weeks followed by a weekend tournament and awards banquet to be held at RiverPlace in February. Parks Board members and community volunteers are invited to assist with the operation of the program.

PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Larry Fansher provided an update on the parks and recreation operations. The department is busy preparing for fall and winter events and programs. Parks and facility maintenance continues.

ADJOURN

Rosemary Bravo made motion to adjourn, seconded by Margaret M McMahan. All members voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.