

MARFA PARKS AND RECREATION  
BOARD MEETING  
July 21, 2022

Members Present

Trey Gerfers – Board President  
Virginia Platt  
Mark Cash  
Marshall Ramsey  
Irma Salgado – Mayor Pro Tem  
Joseph Cashiola  
Jake Davis

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM.

Board President Trey Gerfers called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm and established a quorum.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

III. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Mrs. Salgado motioned to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2022 and Jun 16, 2022 meetings. Mr. Cash seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

IV. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report was presented by Dan Dunlap. Mrs. Salgado motioned to approve the Financial Report as presented. Mr. Ramsey seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

V. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING REPLACEMENT FOR MOLLY BARKER AS PARKS SECRETARY

Mr. Davis previously expressed interest in the position. Agenda item was postponed awaiting his arrival to the meeting.

Mrs. Salgado motioned to appoint Mr. Davis as the Parks Board Secretary. Mr. Cash seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

VI. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING COFFIELD PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Gerfers reported that the construction drawings will be available in August. No action was taken.

VII. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING DOG PARK

The Board decided that the path proposed by Malinda Beeman using gravel is not ideal for dogs to be able to walk on it. A temporary solution using wood chips and metal or rubber edging was discussed. Mr. Gerfers will work with Robert Summers to scrape the path and add the wood

chips and edging to the site. Agenda item was postponed until Mr. Davis was able to present research on reconfiguring the entire park with crushed granite.

Mr. Davis joined the meeting late and discussed the benefits of using crushed granite in the park. Mr. Davis will work on a budget and look at a comprehensive plan for the Dog Park in conjunction with Sunset Park. No action was taken.

#### VIII. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING LETTER FROM TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE CONCERNING BLACKWELL PARK

Mr. Ramsey presented images of existing washer pits that were buried in gravel and dirt but had been clean and exposed. The pits need to be free of botanical growth with a hard solid surface. Board needs to find a place for the washers when not in use. Mrs. Salgado suggested having Public Works make the surface more solid inside the pit. Mr. Gerfers urged the Board to comply with the letter's direct request and move forward. Mr. Gerfers will talk with Public Works to get the site graded for proper use. Mr. Ramsey will supply washer sets. Mr. Cash will work to find metal post for washers. Mrs. Salgado motioned to accept the plan of action above. Mr. Cashiola seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

#### IX. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING FENCE ALONG RAILROAD TRACKS FOR SUNSET PARK

Mr. Gerfers suggested that the Board put out a request for proposals for a fence in the park. Mr. Cashiola explained the project, including the scope of the fence, specifications, and material required. Mr. Cashiola motioned to run an ad for requests for proposals in the Big Bend Sentinel newspaper for (3) weeks. Mr. Cash seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

Mr. Cashiola suggested that Sunset Park house the proposed splash pad. Mr. Ramsey presented a need for restrooms at the splash pad location. Mr. Gerfers suggested that we continue to discuss the full wishes/needs of the site and move forward with a comprehensive plan when budget season starts next month.

#### X. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPING IN BLACKWELL PARK

Mr. Davis will visit the site to see what the planting needs are surrounding the shade structures and fencing. He will present a plan and desired budget at the next meeting. No action was taken.

#### XI. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING DISC GOLF GREEN SPACE

Mr. Ramsey will speak with the Disc Golf League regarding a possible grant for equipment. No action was taken.

#### XII. UPDATE CONCERNING SHADE STRUCTURE FOR PLAYGROUND AT TRAVIS SELF PARK

Mrs. Salgado motioned to table this item until the structure arrives. Mr. Cashiola seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

### XIII. UPDATE CONCERNING LANNAN FOUNDATION GREEN SPACES

The Lannan Foundation is going to donate a green space to the City of Marfa. Mrs. Platt will work with existing lawn service to ensure the space continues to be maintained. Mr. Gerfers will speak with City Council concerning a resolution to accept the donation.

### XIV. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING OPTION TO RECEIVE TREES DONATED BY BIG BEND CONSERVATION ALLIANCE

Itemed died for lack of motion citing no current area with proper irrigation to plant the trees.

### XV. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH ART BLOCKS FOR SPLASH PAD DONATION

Mr. Gerfers presented a letter of agreement for \$25,000 from Art Blocks for a Splash Pad. Mrs. Salgado motioned to accept the letter. Mr. Cash seconded. Motioned passed.

### XVI. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING PARKS FLOAT IN MARFA LIGHTS PARADE

Mr. Davis made a motion to participate in the Marfa Lights Parade. Mr. Cash seconded. Motion carried, all in favor.

### XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

New members need to complete Economic Development Council sales tax workshop. Mr. Gerfers will send link to sign up.

### XVIII. ADJOURN

Mrs. Salgado motioned to adjourn. Mr. Cash seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.