

City of Sachse
Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Minutes
October 30, 2008

Present:

Jeff Bickerstaff, Chairperson
Scott Whitfield, Vice-Chairperson
Kerry Andersen, Secretary
Dan Stevens
Spencer Hauenstein
Juanita Miller
Lance Whitworth, Parks Director
Cynthia Wiseman, Activity Coordinator

Absent:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jeff Bickerstaff.

Item 1 – Open Special Meeting: Mr. Bickerstaff stated that this will be the first of the two public hearings, with the next hearing on November 5th at 7 p.m. Mr. Dennis Sims explained that these public hearings are a part of the needs assessment phase of the Parks Master Plan. He opened up the meeting for public input.

Item 2 – Conduct Public Hearing and receive information regarding the development of a Parks and Recreation Open Space Master Plan for the City of Sachse:

Nathan Leer, 3734 Cedar Creek Lane, would like to see interlocking trails throughout the City, a community recreation center, community pool, and/or soccer fields. He would like to have a community center with meeting rooms available for reservations, indoor volleyball, basketball, and tennis.

Mark Cavalier, 4615 Gatewood Court, noted there are over 700 kids between baseball and softball leagues with games six days a week and the fields are completely booked. He would like to see more practice facilities and Salmon Park to be finished so that it can be used again for practices. He feels like with the growth of the league at about 10% per year, they will run out of places to play games as well within the next two years.

Brett Franks, 3561 Annapolis, would like to see recycling at the baseball fields and improvements to Hudson Crossing.

Cindy Mitchell, 3128 Welch Lane, would like to have a community center and activities for older kids, those over the age of 15.

David Sanford expressed his concern for creating a Parks Master Plan and not implementing the ideas set forth in the document.

Juanita Miller, 6505 Hilltop Trail, would like to see the City utilize native plants/grasses and xeriscaping to cut down on watering and landscaping needs.

Jeff Bickerstaff sees the need for facilities/parks North of the railroad.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jeff Bickerstaff and seconded by Scott Whitfield. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Kerry Andersen, Secretary

Jeff Bickerstaff, Chairperson