

SENATOR FRANK L. MADLA, JR. NATURAL AREA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting: February 10, 2013

Type of Meeting: Board of Directors Special Meeting

Place of Meeting: Grey Forest City Hall

Time of Meeting: 6:00 PM.

- ❖ Meeting Called to Order 6:06 PM by Ron Green
- ❖ Recording of Board members Present – Don Darst, Storms Duthie, Susan Beavin, Ron Green, Ron Reinhard, Jennifer Nottingham, Kyle Cunningham, Frank Madla
- ❖ Declaration of a Quorum - yes

Discuss and take action (if necessary) on the following topics:

(This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act -Texas Government Code 551)

1. New Business: An estimate for stretching the fence in the front to the Stone Pillars by Hill Country Fence and Ranch is \$425. A motion to “Allow Don Darst to work with Hill Country Fence and Ranch to go to \$425 but try to negotiate a better deal was made by Don Darst, 2nd by Frank Madla, all approved

2. Old Business

a. Construction & development - park entrance, trails, electrical, landscape, volunteer day, etc.

Entrance – Rick Stone is supposed to start on Tuesday, he had a delay in getting the right rock mixture to match the pavilion.

Gate – A picture was shared on how the gate will look, will be constructed with 3 supports, 2” square posts, the opener is Heavy Duty with SOS installed for emergency access.

Cedar Posts will be placed to mark where cars can pull of during bird season to allow foot traffic into the park.

Trail signs, the Committee presented ideas for making markers to tack up to identify trails until permanent markers can be made. Arches are up at trail heads, Cedar is split for signs. Rodney will route in block letters the names for the trail signs on 2” thick by 16” length. Frank will follow up with Rodney.

Signs - We will use the design by David Mac Dermott for the front sign to be place on the entry fence. Susan will contact Signs Now and Peter Wilcox (Old Blanco Road. 210.479.2919 or cell 210.618.1980) for estimates on the large sign using the split Cedar Plank that Rodney has prepared. The sign will be done with out a border and the emblem as shown on the example. She will also check on having the TPW regulation sign printed on Dark Brown metal with white lettering. A motion by Jen to allow \$100 for the TPW sign was made, seconded by Ron Green – all approved Second sign motion by Ron Green and seconded by Don Darst was to allow up to \$1000 for the sign for the front entry area, no border, using font on the drawing, no logo. Approved by all.

Electrical – Nothing official to report, Ranel said that the materials could run between \$12,000 and \$16,000. Jeff English should be able to provide the final quote by tomorrow. It was discussed to postpone the electrical until after the opening, using a generator to operate the microphone that day. Jen will check on a generator and reported that Jack Nottingham’s microphone was in working condition. Jen will also check with the fire department on using their podium the day of the opening.

Landscaping – Storms reported that the Don Taylor tree is being planted, he will need more mulch and will use the \$500 left in his budget for mulch and plants.

Badges – Jen Nottingham will pursue getting badges made for the Board, Ron Green made a motion to allow \$100 for badges, seconded by Frank Madla.

Volunteer Day Update – The work day on February 9th was well attended, records for volunteer hours were given to the secretary. Pea Gravel was spread on the parking lot, Crushed Granite was placed by the restroom area – may need to go over it with a plate vibrator, Storms placed the rocks in the dry creek bed, Arches are complete with the cross members in place, Brush was carried to the Madla Ranch, extra supplies were put out of sight for the opening.

Boulders were placed; more boulders will be delivered next week. Jen will check with Rick Stone to see if it will be possible to move more boulders in while he is working on the entry stone work.

Cedar for Entry – A motion to approve \$1,000 for the angle iron and cedar to be placed on the entry fence was made by Ron Green and Seconded by Susan Beavin, all approved. Storms will follow up with Artco. Phone # 210.789.7937

Rye Grass near pavilion – Storms will follow up on rye grass to be seeded behind the pavilion area.

b. Park Opening March 9, 2013

Prior to the Opening – follow up needed on:

Markers for trails – trail committee

Signs – Susan Beavin

Rye Grass – Storms Duthie

Refreshments – Frank’s committee

Liability issues for parking – Ron Reinhard will pursue, an agreement endorsement will be drawn up and sent to the city attorney for approval, will need to be signed by Frank’s uncle and Jesse Horstman

Bus Scheduled – Don Darst

Square for Madla Conservancy – Don Darst

Police coverage – Don will speak with Chief Rutledge

Portalets – one permanent ADA and one or two regular with hand washing station will be available – Don Darst is contact on this,

c. Building Inspection Report – Report shared with group, needs Pest Control and Termite inspection, Ron Reinhard will contact Apple Pest Control for a report. The building will be discussed further after the opening of the park.

❖ Adjournment – 7:58 pm, Motion by Ron Green, Seconded by Susan Beavin.