

**SENATOR FRANK L. MADLA, JR. NATURAL AREA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

CITY HALL, 18502 SCENIC LOOP RD, GREY FOREST TX 78023
FEBRUARY 15, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON at 6:00 PM
- II. RECORDING OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT - Storms Duthie, Jennifer Nottingham, Anne McCarthy, Susan Beavin, Kelly Dawley, Chris Porter
- III. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM
- IV. PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS AND VISITORS – Myles spoke on the potential bird blind project. He provided pictures of the site and a list of supplies needed. He has raised \$1000 so far on the GoFundMe account that he created. He also showed a 3D rendering of how the bird blind would look.
- V. DISCUSS AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF JANUARY 18, 2021 MEETING’S MINUTES – Approved as amended
- VI. FINANCIAL REPORT - \$919.63 was transferred from PayPal to the account. There was a GFU donation of \$700. The city was paid \$214.74 for the quarter.
- VII. CONSERVANCY REPORT - \$8128.15 balance
- VIII. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS- 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. Biological and Landscape Management – There will be a work session on Saturday to remove dead trees.
 2. Cottage Committee – Storms cleaned the cottage. Propane company refilled tank. Burkholder put lockbox on thermostat. The inside will have to be painted in the next couple of years. The Google address for the cottage is incorrect.
 3. Trails Committee – Jenn used some cedar to block some areas of trail. It has been noticed that some trail blocks have been moved. Jenn moved that they add caution tape to prairie. Board approved.
 4. Communications Committee – The following changes are needed for the website:
 - Need to take down auction on website
 - Change amount on cottage rentals to A 50 and B 75.
 - Take off dates of cleanups, event dates, and old events
 - 9780 Menchaca Rd Helotes needs to be on the website as the address of the park.
 - Be clear about where applications need to be sent
 5. City Police Department – nothing to report
 6. City Public Works – City Public Works has been picking up trash regularly
- IX. NEW BUSINESS - 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. Discuss rain catchment – Storms will meet with a rain barrel company on Thursday to get an estimate to fix gutters.
 2. Discuss bills and 2022 projects that could be funded by targeted donations- Projects to be targeted include: Paint interior cottage, additional picnic tables, pavilion at top of hill (hikers retreat/pavilion), benches similar to what is currently in the park. Anne can add these items into

PayPal. It was suggested that signs with QR code of information be placed where the hikers retreat would be. Someone will need to create wording on why the products are chosen. Storms will get the prices and pictures of the items chosen.

3. Discuss next Council liaison – Jenn will discuss with Geri Poss

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS- 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. Discuss park driveway/parking lot drainage and maintenance for 2022 – Everything is looking good.
2. Resume discussion on Bird Blind project – Miles presented.
3. Restoration action and project coordinator for restoration action and entrance signs – Chris will have the example sign done by next meeting.
4. 2022 Capital Campaign Mailing – Storms signed up as nonprofit with VistaPrint and got a 63% and 15% discount. He had everything printed for \$150. Storms is going to apply for a nonprofit status for postage for the next year. There were about 1500 postcards.
5. Madla Park Board letter to address the new community project between Blue Hill and Babcock – Update on Guajalote
6. Resume discussion on cottage rental and Pavilion for 3 day film crew for movie – Kate hasn't heard back from the crew.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm

Meeting Minutes Approved by Chairperson:


