

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

CITY HALL, 18502 SCENIC LOOP RD, GREY FOREST TX 78023  
JANUARY 18, 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, Kate Feist, Chris Porter
- III. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM
- IV. PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS AND VISITORS
- V. DISCUSS AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 14, 2021 MEETING'S MINUTES – Approved as amended
- VI. FINANCIAL REPORT –
- VII. CONSERVANCY REPORT – \$8,398.96
- 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 – Next work day will be on February 19<sup>th</sup> which will include picking up trash, removing ligustrums and chinaberry, and taking logs out of the creek. Work day notices will now be put on the website before each one occurs.
  2. Cottage Committee – Bubba will look to repair the chairs, and if he can't, he will remove them.
  3. Trails Committee -
  4. Communications Committee -
  5. City Police Department -
  6. City Public Works
- 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. List park projects completed in 2021 –
    - Created and launched a new photo permit
    - Online auction fundraiser

- Mail out postcard fundraiser
  - New signs on trails
  - Prescribed burn of the meadow and seeded with Alamo Switchgrass
  - Septic system repaired and cleaned
  - Vulcan delivered boulders
  - Parking improvements
  - Trenches dug for drainage improvements
  - Ligustrum/Chinaberry removal
  - Main gate repaired
  - Repaired the cave grate
  - Passed another conservation easement inspection with Edwards Aquifer Protection Program and Texas Parks and Wildlife
  - City secretary visited and toured the park
2. Rule on request to rent cottage and Pavilion for 3 day film crew for movie – Simply Rosy Productions would like to film a small feature. It would be about 15 people on cast and crew and they would aim for February 16<sup>th</sup> or March during park hours. The production company will need to make an updated request. There will be a \$2,000 charge. Kelly will contact insurance about what is covered or needed. Kate will draft a deal memo and send to the board members.
  3. Kate’s native plant propagation project – Kate proposes that she propagates native plant species that are found in Madla to then plant there. Jenn created a motion to approve and the board approved. Jenn then also put out the idea for a plant sale.
  4. Madla Park Board letter to address the new community project between Blue Hill and Babcock –

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. Resume fundraising discussion – No more fundraiser in February
2. Discuss park driveway/parking lot drainage and maintenance for 2022 – It is ongoing and we will buy base as needed
3. Resume discussion on Bird Blind project – The board will need:
  - a more detailed plan of the structure
  - list of materials
  - how many bird feeders and what kind
  - what are the features
  - how big is the area
  - where exactly
  - requests that he presents at next meeting
4. Restoration action and project coordinator for restoration action and entrance signs – Chris has the sign to work on and will show the board at the next meeting

5. 2022 Capital Campaign Mailing – GFU has said yes to donating \$700 to sponsor the mailing.
6. Discuss and take action on Guajalote impact on Madla Park – The board is opposed to development and notes that some of the plans would put lines through the park. Chris will write a letter.
7. Meeting adjourned at 8:05

Next Agenda: Rain catchment

list bills at kiosk and website so that someone can donate to each item – Projects for 2022

Meeting Minutes documented by Lori Katon

Meeting Minutes Approved by Chairperson:

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