

PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 18, 2023

Present: Jake Chesnutt, Matt Sickle, Michael Lee, Lance Beasley, Lola Skolnik, Marc Siegel
Council Liaison: Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver
Staff: Greg Varda, Recreation Director; Cathryn Pracht, Administrative Coordinator
Guests: Xavier Courouble-City Resident

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Jake Chesnutt, PRAB Chair.

November and December Meeting Minutes approved.

- Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver
 - Members of the Reparations Commission have been selected, they have not convened as of this meeting.
 - Greenbelt Museum-Recreation merger is set for a City Council Work Session scheduled for Wednesday, January 25th.
 - Greenbelt Station Work Session is scheduled for February 22nd.

- City Council Work Sessions
 - Greenbelt Museum and Recreation Merger
 - Along with PRAB the Arts Advisory Board and Friends of the Greenbelt Museum have given positive feedback.
 - Neighborhood Design Center
 - Greenbelt Station Greenspace Presentation
 - This is a “roadmap” to help guide staff in providing outdoor amenities.

- Old Business:
 - Buddy Attick Park Master Plan:
 - PRAB reviewed the third draft of RFP and provided input/recommendations.
 - PRAB inquired about potential water quality at Buddy Attick Park and reclassification of the lake to a marsh.
 - PRAB questioned sustaining maintenance of the lake.
 - Surveys should include input from three regions of the City.
 - Include all community stakeholders in community meetings.
 - Emphasize a maintenance plan and schedule.

- Recreation Department Updates
 - Interior and exterior security cameras have been installed at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Cameras can be monitored 24 hour a day.
 - Black History Month Committee will accept a Proclamation at the January 23rd City Council meeting. The month of February has many events planned pertaining to Black History.
 - Spring/Summer Camp Guide will be released this week.
 - Pickleball is very popular in Greenbelt, we will be lining the Youth Center gym floor and Braden Tennis Courts 7 & 8 and Lakecrest Drive Tennis Courts this spring.

- Administration
 - The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2023 at 7pm via ZOOM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Cathryn Pracht, Administrative Coordinator