

**VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 21, 2006, 6:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, 13210 RR 12, WIMBERLEY**

Board meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jan Fulkerson.

Present: Board members Jan Fulkerson, Malcolm Harris, Dell Hood, Linda Hudson, Tim Thompson, and Horace Wilson.

Absent: Mark Bursiel, Fred Franz, Thad Nance.

Public Comment: No comments received.

A. Reports

Cypress Creek Nature Trail ADA state inspection:

Horace Wilson reported the Nature Trail failed the inspection for ADA compliance. Main problems were: overhanging limbs over parts of the path; slope of the access leading to the ramp, and the table designed for wheelchair accessibility. The City has 90 days to bring these features into compliance. City staff will be able to complete a form indicating compliance when the corrections are made.

Council member Marilee Wood reported the City has approximately \$42,000 from its general fund in the Nature Trail fund for which it is awaiting reimbursement from Texas Parks & Wildlife. She noted the City has some flexibility in how it uses funds approved under the TPW grant and would like to use this money, together with funds she believes Council would approve, to get a restroom at the Trail. She referred to the options presented to Council some time ago by a special committee on public restrooms, one or more of which would be workable at the Trail. This needs to be an item for a Work Session and Board action at the next meeting.

B. Work Session

1. Temporary Signage at Blue Hole:

Board members discussed the need for signs with rules for public behavior at Blue Hole, noting both the Council-approved Ordinance No. 2006-007, and the resolution approved by the Board and Council in 2005 with rules specific to Blue Hole. They agreed there should also be a sign informing that the site is now undergoing a master plan process, and a sign pointing to the property from Old Kyle Road, on a City-owned sign post.

2. Working with Friends of Blue Hole and Contractor on image of Blue Hole:

Board members discussed the need to improve the public image of Blue Hole by repairing or removing unsightly structures. They agreed the cost of repairing the old stone house would be more than that for removing it. Council member Wood assured that the structure has no historic value and can be removed under state and federal rules.

C. Consider and Act

1. Recommendation for Temporary Signage at Blue Hole:

temporary sign at Blue Hole, in conformance with Ordinance No. 2006-007 and with previous Council action in 2005, with specific rules for Blue Hole. Linda Hudson seconded. Jan proposed a friendly amendment to add that an additional sign be put up stating that the Blue Hole property is undergoing a master planning process to be completed early in 2007. Malcolm and Linda accepted the friendly amendment. Vote to approve the motion as amended was 6-0.

2. Recommendations for working with Friends of Blue Hole and Contractor on image of Blue Hole:

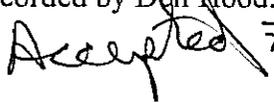
Malcolm Harris moved that the Board recommend to Council that the existing structures at Blue Hole which constitute both safety and liability hazards be removed as soon as reasonably possible, and that the City cause security to be enforced at all gates. Tim Thompson seconded the motion which was approved by 6-0.

D. Announcements and Future Agenda Items:

Council member Wood announced that Austin Community College has contributed \$25,000 toward the Blue Hole master plan, and another large sum should be received soon from the Trust for Public Land.

Board members Fulkerson, Hood, Hudson, and Thompson will be out of town at varying periods in July. Jan asked all Board members to e-mail her their available dates so a quorum can be assured for the July meeting.

E. Adjournment: Board meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Recorded by Dell Hood. 
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