

**CITY OF WIMBERLEY PARKS BOARD
MINUTES, JANUARY 19, 2011
WIMBERLEY CITY HALL
221 STILLWATER, WIMBERLEY, TEXAS**

Present: Christine Byrne, Cathy Flocke, Dell Hood, M.F. Johnson, Horace Wilson; Don Ferguson.

Absent: Thad Nance, Jan Fulkerson

1. Meeting called to order by Board Vice President Horace Wilson at 6:05 p.m.
2. Minutes of Board meeting of November 17, 2010, were accepted as presented by unanimous vote.

3. Citizens comments: None.

4. Staff reports:

a. Blue Hole Regional Park:

Don Ferguson reported construction at the park is on hold while a storm water permit is reviewed and issued by TCEQ. Permits for some construction have been issued but the City wants to wait until all approvals are in hand.

b. Bypass trail:

Construction of the trail is almost complete, although recent rains caused some washouts. City is looking at alternative surfacing for parts of the trail and is still working on cost sharing arrangements with Hays County for maintenance. City plans to hold a public grand opening in early March.

c. PEC triangle:

City Council trimmed the funding for this pocket park at the Y. Don will try to get some landscaping and grass planting to improve the site's appearance.

5. Discussion and possible action

a. Community center operation:

Don said the City is looking for new programs to offer at the Wimberley Community Center and asked Board members for ideas and suggestions on both the types of programs that might be developed (e.g., computer classes, landscaping classes, health education) and sponsoring organizations. Under the new hourly use fee schedule, there are possibilities for more groups to use the Center.

b. Blue Hole Regional Park:

Don presented a proposed fee schedule for use of the swimming hole at the Park for 2011, as follows:

Adult season pass (non-transferable, ages 18 and older):	\$50
Youth season pass (non-transferable, younger than 18):	\$40
Ten-punch pass (transferable, 18 and older):	\$56
Ten-punch pass (transferable, less than 18 yrs./65 & older):	\$24

Daily admission, adult:	\$7
Daily admission, less than 18 yrs./65 & older):	\$3
Children younger than 3 years old:	Free

Rental of swimming hole area (3 hr. minimum, 5 hr. max weekdays; Sundays 8 a.m-11 a.m): \$125 per hour, with a \$200 refundable damage fee. Swimming area will not be available for private rental on Saturdays.

Board members discussed the fee proposal at length and suggested lowering the age for adult admission to 16. Don agreed to research how other parks in the region break down their age categories. No action by Board.

6. Future meeting date: Don proposed Board meet at 5:00 p.m. on Feb. 16 so members could visit the bypass trail before their regular meeting. Board agreed.

7. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Recorded by Dell J. Hood

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