

EL LAGO PARKS BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 26, 2016
Time: 7:10 P.M.
Location: Municipal Court Chamber,
98 Lakeshore Dr., El Lago, TX 77586

Board Attendees: Maria Ludvig, DeAnna Scott, Donna Ward, Ruth Tully
Shirley Brasseux, Rob Wohrer

City Attendees: Councilman Mark Briggs

Review/Approval: 9/28/16 minutes. Motion: S. Brasseaux/2nd: M. Ludvig

Old Business: Maria reported that the bird house has been ordered to replace the one located in McNair Park at the Misty Lake entrance. Donna reported that in her meeting with the Mayor this morning on an unrelated subject, the birdhouse in its shipping container was sitting in the Mayor's office. It is still to be determined if the pole is sturdy enough to hold the new house, and whether or not extension equipment will be necessary to install same.

Shirley stated that the fall display at the Lakeshore entrance is finished and she gave kudos to Alex in the Maintenance Dept for his assistance. Unfortunately one of the pumpkins has rotted prematurely, and she noted that the wagon needs to be given a coating of a preservative prior to its installation next fall.

DeAnna's non-resident judges have finished their perusal of the city in connection with the El Lago Proud Landscape Contest for fall 2016. She will email the winning addresses to Maria for coordination, who in turn will email to Donna to write the article announcing the winners. Donna will send the article to the proper distributors for publication in La Ventana del Lago and the city's web site. Rob will see to the installation of the signs.

New Business: Donna reported that the Mayor stated that a new Director of Maintenance has been hired. He has degrees in architecture and engineering, and should in the Mayor's opinion be a perfect fit for our city. Also, the new Director will be working with resident Paul Evans on the installation of solar lighting for the flag and the Santa house at the Bayou View island/entrance.

Entrances: DeAnna stated that the lights at the Bayou View entrance have a bluish tint and the corresponding entrance lights at Lakeshore have a pinkish tint. Rob noted that problem was not insurmountable and that it may be as simple as a remote control adjustment. In the alternative, replacement bulbs are not very expensive. It was also noted that during our meeting which commenced at 7:10 p.m. the lights were not on - most likely can be corrected with a timer adjustment. The wooden boxes which were constructed to mount the lights directed at the entrance signs are not esthetically pleasing

and Shirley noted that there are no longer electrical outlets in which to plug the Christmas light display.

Shirley plans to purchase new holiday decor as the current wreaths, etc. are in deplorable shape - faded and weathered beyond repair. Ruth noted that since the new Maintenance Director is a degreed architect, his probable artistic abilities may possibly come into play for the Christmas display. But since there are no electrical outlets in which to plug in lights, our usual display will be extremely understated.

Shirley reported that the American flag which flies at the Lakeshore entrance apparently blew off of the pole and was found by a member of the Lakeshore Police Department. It is currently being held at the LPD.

McNair /Witty/Armstrong Parks: Donna stated that she had met with David Alipio of David's Tree Service and the 'big tree' adjacent to the pavilion and another very large overgrown tree adjacent to the foot bridge in McNair are soon to have their canopies thinned and shaped.

Donna also reported that she was told this day by the Mayor that he is negotiating with the owner of the Coastal Car Wash regarding the unsafe condition of the fence behind his business, said fence being the property of the business owner. The Mayor has advised this uncooperative business owner that he should either deed the property to our city or face fines in that regard.

Mayor/Council Report: Councilman Briggs reported that Mardel of Bay Area Design & Landscape has located samples of stone to match the stone on our City Hall. We should have our proposal soon and plan on meeting again before said proposal is presented to City Council.

Adjournment: 8:45 P.M.

Donna J. Ward, Recording Secretary