Dalworthington Gardens Park Board Meeting Minutes



April 13, 2021 @ 6:00pm Via WebEx

Present:

Board Members: Tara Cao (Chair), Iashia Bergamini, Ingrid Cooley , Shelly Finnin

DWG Support Staff: Lola Hazel

Citizen(s): Cathy Stein

Absent: Marion Armstrong

Minutes

Call to Order: 6:05 pm by Chair, Tara Cao

First Order of Business: Approval of March 2021 Meeting Minutes.

Citizen Comments:

Cathy noted that she has the links to the Monarch Joint Adventure Fund Raising option if anyone is interested. Monarchs are migrating north now so she saw a caterpillar in our garden earlier today. With the lake water level being low currently, the water irises can be pulled so they won't invade the lake too much. Possibly adding that task to the maintenance list for next year. She's donating plants for the garden. Check with Parks and Wildlife for alligator weed. Anyone needs tutoring on tree pruning let her know.

Committee/Staff Reports:

This Thursday at the council meeting Lola will submit request for alcohol permit for Movie Night in May.

New Business

1. Park Maintenance List

Staff needs to check ant hills around the park. Some are under big rocks Use weed wrench near walk way by the arch Contractor working near baseball field There is blue eye grass that might need a no mow sign but it's hard to tell specifically when; check wild scape area too.

2. Budget

We've used \$575 for postcards for Shade Structure Project.

3. Monarch Pledge/Garden

Upload pictures to the Monarch web site to show our progress. Cathy wants to pass the task onto someone else next year. Maybe we can have a page on our city web page and just have the link routed to it.

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4. Shade Structure Project

Great progress - \$16k pledged; \$11k received; Big thank you to an Anonymous Donor. Any funds remaining will be used for upgrades/maintenance in the Playground Area.

5. Impact of Executive Orders on Public Gatherings

(City will go back to in person Council meetings with a hybrid of virtual for those citizens that want to attend virtually.) Our WebEx account to do virtual meetings is expiring. Marion offered to use her Zoom account so we will follow up for May to see if she is able to host.

Events:

1. March 20th - Park Beautification Work Day

The focus was on the Monarch Garden so Cathy called the people who adopted a section to work on weeding their section that day or at their convenience. Maureen Flemmings (school cross guard at Key) and Tara's friend Kay came to help out also.

2. March 27th Customized Egg Hunt (Marion)

23 houses signed up. People were very appreciative and some sent pictures afterwards. Marion and friend went to 3 houses outside of DWG (one was in Keller) as well as several in DWB. Tara and daughter helped with the majority of DWG houses.

3. April 24: Earth Day/Chalk drawing (Shelly, Marion)

Supplies gathered; No drawing on sidewalk leading up to gazebo; Shelly created a few flyers to put up in Kiosk. Shelly prepared 20 potted plants for participants.

Ingrid will bring green recycle box; Shelly created signs that can be laminated and reused for later years Reduce, Reuse, Recycle as well as decorations for the Gazebo. Marion will power wash sidewalk before.

Photographers booked; Lezlee from Allstate offered to donate if we need something.

4. May 15th - Park Beautification Work Day

Area by Marquee and triangle bed

5. May 22nd: Movie Night (Marion, Tara)

Planning continues to select movie and wait for alcohol permit; Marion has projector/screen.

6. June 5th - Free Fishing Day first Saturday of June (Iashia, Cathy)

Need to create flyer to educate people on Duck feeding; 17 and above usually need a license to fish but not on this day; what types of fish we have in our lake.

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7. September DTBD - Grandparents Day (Tara)

Possible stick horse race; we can buy supplies.

8. Arbor Day Celebration in November

Usually, April 30 but in Texas it's in November; Maybe we can do it when new City Hall building opens

Adjourned: 7:40pm