

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE/ CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN SABA JOINT WORK SESSION
November 12, 2019

Members in attendance were: City Council

Ken Jordan – Mayor
Robert Whitten – Mayor Pro-Tem
Shawn Oliver – Alderman
Oleta Behrens - Alderman
Marcus Amthor - Alderman
Michael Nelson – Alderman
Stan Weik – City Manager

Parks Committee

Shawn Oliver – Chairman
Cathy Amthor – Committee Member
Mimi Bode - Committee Member
Kynda Jordan - Committee Member
Debbie Shahan - Committee Member
Kevin Shahan - Committee Member

Others present were:

Sabrina Maultsby – City Secretary
Charlene Lindsay – Finance Director
Scott Glaze – City Employee
Eugene Bessent – Parks Department Supervisor
Billy Sutton – Parks Department Assistant Supervisor

At 5:30 p.m. Chairman Shawn Oliver called the meeting to order, announced a quorum was present. Committee Member Kevin Shahan gave the invocation and pledges.

Chairman Shawn Oliver called the Public Hearing meeting to order. The Public Hearing is to receive comments from the Public regarding the following:

1) The City of San Saba will hold a public hearing at 5:30 pm, on November 12, 2019, at City Hall, 303 S. Clear Street, San Saba, Texas in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife for Small Community Park grant funds. This Public Hearing will be held to discuss: Citizen participation plan; Development of local community development needs; Amount of Texas Parks & Wildlife funds available; Explanation of eligible activities in the programs; Use of past Texas Parks & Wildlife funds; Activities within a floodplain; Citizens' views, proposals, questions, and comments; Discussion of the application process. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this Texas Parks & Wildlife application and to make their views known at this public hearing.

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Jake McAdams with Public Management was present to speak and answer any questions. Jake explained to the Council and Committee that several program rules have changed within the last year with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant. Jake said the City expressed an interest in applying for a grant to implement a water feature in Mill Pond Park. He said that the City sent out surveys with a list of Proposed Recreational Facilities and out of the 274 surveys received, a Pool ranked number one and a Splash Pad ranked number two. At this point the Splash Pad is feasible due to the amount of the Grant being a \$300,000.00 grant that is a one to one grant. Jake explained that the grant would pay the City \$150,000.00 reimbursement and the City's portion would be \$150,000.00 match. Maintenance for a Pool is quite costly and the maintenance expense for a Splash Pad is very minimal. He said that the City will be installing the extension line for the Splash Pad which can be In-kind Match and the cost estimate for this is \$7,500.00. The Grant Application is due by December 4, 2019. The Splash Pad will be a recirculating and the reason for this is that the Grant will not fund anything other than a recirculating Splash Pad. Picnic Tables and Signage will be added, and this will help with the application scoring purposes. The City's portion of the Match will be \$186,450.00, with \$7,500.00 being In-kind. Jake explained that the City will be getting funding from Government Capital for the City's portion, if funded.

The public hearing was closed at 5:51 p.m.

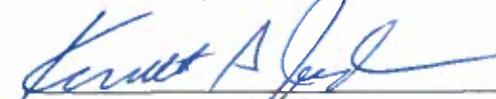
PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION ITEM:

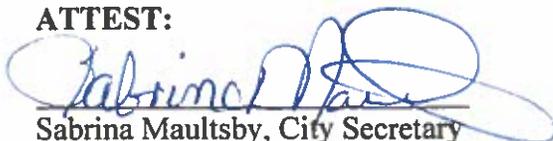
The Discussion Item was to Discuss submission of a possible Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant Application. Chairman Oliver asked the Parks Committee and Council if there were any further questions or discussion that needed to be addressed that Mr. McAdams has not answered and Parks Committee Member, Mimi Bode asked if the City would be applying and moving forward this year. Mr. McAdams explained that the City has done their due diligence by mailing out the survey and at this point it seems that a Splash Pad is the way to go with the available funding. Chairman Oliver said that at this time, the Parks Committee and the San Saba City Council will need to all vote to agree or disagree in moving forward with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant Application and all Parks Committee Members and San Saba City Council voted to move forward with the application.

As there was no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.


Shawn Oliver, Parks Chairman


Kenneth G. Jordan, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sabrina Maulsby, City Secretary