

# Austin Parks Board Meeting

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## Agenda & Minutes July 3, 2023 6:00 pm

Call to Order- 6:05 pm

Members present White, Baker, Hale, Hollan, Buchanan

Guests: Billy Snowden Jr.

Review June minutes & approve- Hale moved to approve, White seconded, vote 5-0

Review and approve claims for June

Guest Input Billy Snowden came to discuss the potential of a pocket park at the corner of North and North 1<sup>st</sup> street. His church owns two lots and the city owns the adjacent lot. It has great potential but at this time the parks department has a very full plate with Spicertown park and the DNR grant. Future options were discussed and there was suggestions on how we could help if the church wanted to do something themselves. It was left that we would continue to investigate and keep it on our radar.

Old Business:

- 1.) DNR grant. Update Buchanan and White, Survey, appraisal, new layout. –
  - a. Splash park modifications new layout has 8 water points, White moved to approve, Hollan seconded, vote
  - b. Ravi Raffety is working on an overall plan to submit to the DNR. We will review it before it is presents.
  - c. Ravi Raffety- reviewed Concessions and bathroom modifications with JD Buchannan- Update
- 2.) Tree cutting at Broadway. - JD Buchanan update- some work has been done. Hopefully after mowing season slows down they can do more
- 3.) Need to get quote to remove trees at Spicertown Park. Need to reach out to city to see what they can cut. – JD Buchanan update
- 4.) Spread the word if people want to purchase commemorative benches, Need 10 to get an order discount. White has 5 requests. Buchanan has 1. Need to determine if current supplier will do them and what the price will be. Need to let people know they can select which park they go in, Community, Manaugh, Campbell or Spicertown. Still looking for local supplier Reached out to current supplier they can do early summer. Have 8 requests at this time... We are now up to 8. Keep pushing. They should be ready to fabricate them. Buchanan will follow up

**5.) Ishmael White will work on repairing damaged light at Manaugh. Not done**

**Need to get the lamp they took down. No progress**

**6.) Herbie Gross has not submitted an invoice for electrical work at Manaugh. Hollan to remind him. Glen Hallon was not present. We will remind him.**

**7.) Progress on Review of Spicertown plans with Trustee. Meeting June 14<sup>th</sup> Ishmael White and JD Buchanan Attended no decision, waiting for another meeting. Reached out to trustee no update.**

**9.) Garage door on main shelter- Needs to be realigned- All door bolted open**

**10.) Landscaping at Campbell Park. Buchanan to contact Earth Solutions. White to reach out to Lynn Robinson**

**11.) Need to review and layout space for additional parking- before next spring**

**12.) Fishing benches at Manaugh Park- White done ready to install. Will install month of July**

**13.) Need to discuss sealing walking path Agreed to get 3 local quotes- Can't do no funds**

**14.) Need to ask ARC for balance of matching funds. - JD Buchanan attended we got it all \$270,000.00.**

**15.) Need to push city to open east end of either North or Rural streets. JD met with mayor. Have wait until property is purchased. Most people prefer Rural street.**

#### **New Business:**

**1.) Cease wants to use part for a week in July Voted to allow Buchanan moved, Hale seconded, vote 5-0**

**2.) City did a great job painting speed bumps and crosswalk**

**3.) Mike Stacy for Church of Latter Day Saints wants to do a community effort a part. Need to follow up with mayor**

**4.) Need to get clarification Mayor Hawkins position on letting people do work at park. Buchanan to follow up with Mayor**

**5.) Ishmael White had a conversation with Jerry Asher of Scottsburg parks. H has some great things going that we should take advantage of.**

**6.) The second Book Walk was awarded to us by Duke Energy; They will start working on layout in August.**

Walk INS:

- 1.)
- 2.
- 3.)

Adjourn: 6:47 pm, Buchannan moved, white seconded vote 5-0.

White Isabel White

Baker Kenny Baker

Hale Isabel Hale

Hollan Ylva Hollan

Buchanan J.R. Buchanan