

**CITY OF MEDINA**  
Park Board Meeting Minutes

*Monday, July 20th, 2015*

*Medina City Hall | Council Chambers*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Blazey called the July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Medina Park Board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Drew Blazey, Gabriele Dickmann, Susan Flagg, Sarah Gray, Collette McMullen, Penny Martin

Absent: Miles Adam

Staff Present: Michael Sauerwein, City Manager; Ryan Osada, Director of Public Works, Pat Crickmore, Public Works Supervisor; Sunita Hall, Deputy City Clerk.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (5:01 p.m.)**

Vice Chair Blazey welcomed Park Board and staff to the meeting. He introduced and welcomed Ryan Osada, Director of Public Works and Sunita Hall, Deputy City Clerk both of whom have recently joined the City. He also welcomed Sarah Gray, Board Member, who replaces Susan Loren-Taylor. Park Board member McMullen said a few words to introduce Sarah Gray.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5:03 p.m.)**

MOTION MCMULLEN SECOND FLAGG TO APPROVE THE MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND MOTION CARRIED 6-0 (ADAMS ABSENT) AT 5:03 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (5:04 p.m.)** No public comment

**NEW BUSINESS (5:04 p.m.)**

Presentation by Michael Sauerwein, City Manager (5:04 p.m.)

City Manager Sauerwein presented information about the Medina Parks Department projects. The presentation included an update to the 2015 parks projects and proposed projects for 2016. City Manager Sauerwein also spoke about the upcoming Medina Days and possibilities for future events.

The City Manager anticipates that there would be a similarly comprehensive update in Feb/March 2016. Vice Chair Blazey asked to have a parks project plan given to the Park Board each year that includes deadlines and project progress.

Post-Office property landscaping (5:32 p.m.)

The plans for the Post Office property landscaping were well received at the Open House event. It was felt that people were more supportive once they understood more about the plans. Vice Chair Blazey asked whether we had spoken to the Green Store. City Manager stated that there had been preliminary conversations. With respect to the property landscaping, Park Board member Dickmann suggested that there should be correct signage, ensuring the privacy of occupants.

#### Park Board Open House recap (5:37 p.m.)

Vice Chair Blazey confirmed that the Open House went well. McMullen confirmed that there had been a lot of feedback and roughly 25 written comments had been received. All of the comments were positive. There was overwhelming support for the Explore Dome structure for the expanded playground area at Medina Park. The City Manager shared that the estimated cost is \$100,000 for both new equipment and improvements to the Medina Park play area.

#### Medina Park expanded play equipment discussion (5:39 p.m.)

Park Board member McMullen explained that Chair Adam had asked her to provide some feedback on this item. She provided handouts on alternative options for the traditional See Saw. Discussion occurred around funding the expanded play area at Medina Park. Vice Chair Blazey raised concerns as to funding projects and whether it was the role of the Park Board to raise funding. Vice Chair Blazey suggested that it would be useful to have the budget for this project broken down into categories.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS (5:49 p.m.)**

Vice Chair Blazey confirmed that the two items 2015 Park Project updates and Proposed 2016 Projects had been covered in City Manager Sauerwein's presentation.

#### **PARK REPORTS (5.49 p.m.)**

Medina Beach Park - Vice Chair Blazey read out an update from Chair Adam. Good job overall and nice job of concreting. The picnic tables are looking good. A repeat request to have the torn flag replaced. There are weeds near the rocks. Are we planning any landscaping in that area?

View Point - still some work needed and ivy needs to be trimmed. Some blackberry vines need to be trimmed.

Fairweather (and the Lid) - Board Member Flagg stated that there were ruts in the back because of the recent dry weather and showed some photos of those areas. Board Members also reported that there was rubbish around the trash can close to the stairs by the bus stop just off the Lid.

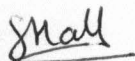
Lake Lane - Board Member Flagg, the bench at the park still needs some work and had some goose poo. While it was in better shape it still needed some attention.

Medina Park – This looks good. Board Members asked if the "unusable" concrete bench in Medina Park adjacent to the maintenance building fence could either be removed or made usable.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting of the Medina Park Board adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Minutes taken by:



Sunita Hall, Deputy City Clerk