



PARKS & RECREATION BOARD-CITY OF GAINESVILLE
MEETING MINUTES

The Parks & Recreation board met for a monthly meeting on November 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gainesville Civic Center.

Members Present: Dick Haayen, Matthew Compton, Martin Phillips, Joanie Jones, Paula Moore

Members Absent: Latecia Hendricks, Joseph Christian

Staff Present: Zenia Cruz

Guests Present: Mayor Tommy Moore

ACTION

A quorum was present.

The First item was to approve November 7, 2023 minutes. Dick Haayen made the motion to accept and Paula Moore second the motion. Passed with unanimous consent.

Recognition of Citizens with Non-Agenda items- None

DISCUSSION

Martin discussed the Master plan and meeting with GEDC. As far as the Survey goes leaving that up to the professionals and we would guide them on what we would like or what they should be focusing on. The Survey will be distributed in January or February.

Mayor then took a few minutes to discuss his vision, planning and the task of the Parks Board. He referenced the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of 1997 as something to look at and suggested it as a guide for our parks board.

It was suggested that Leonard Park needs a “face-lift” with touchups and strive to improve the visualization of this heavily visited Park. Attention is also needed in Pecan Creek Park/Jaycee Park with rehab or replacement of play equipment.

Several board members discussed community, Civic clubs and Home Depot assistance to partner with the City for improvements.

The Mayor suggested two or three projects that could be our focal point. We had discussion on a variety of alternate plots of land that could be developed and the Mayor drew the conversation back into focus for members to designate two or three existing Park projects to concentrate on. Board member are to review and study Parks inventory list provided to them at our October 2023 meeting.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted, November 28, 2023

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Parks and Recreation Department



Martin Phillips
Chairman

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Date