

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City of Freeport Parks and Recreation Committee met on Friday, September 22, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Freeport City Hall, 3rd floor Conference Room, 200 W. 2nd Street, Freeport, TX.

Parks and Rec. Board Members:	Randy Johnson
	Katherine Johnson
	Theodore Baker – Not Present
	Douglas Domingues
	David McGinty
	Jack Bullman –
	Brianna Sidney – Not Present

City Council Liaison:	Winston Rossow
Assistant City Manager:	Lance Petty
PW Administrative Assistant:	Laurie Motley
Event Coordinaor:	Crystal Ruiz

Call to order

Chairperson Douglas Domingues opened the meeting at 10:05 am.

Staff Announcements

Lance Petty for the River Fest next year we have a carnival in the works with a contract being set up and sent to them.

Board Member Announcements

Douglas Domingues discusses the missing board members Theodore Baker and Brianna Sidney. He will reach out to both of them to see if they are still wanting to participate.

Review of minutes from meeting August 18, 2023.

Motion made by Jack Bullman to accept the minutes as written, second by Katherine Johnson.

Approval passed with all members voting "Aye".

Discussion by David McGinty on the yard of the month program set up by wards.

He stated that he was in La Marque and they also have a program for businesses that he would like implemented as well.

Discussion on previous yard of the month program from years back. Douglas will get with Kacey to find out if she has any information.

Discuss the need to set up a committee to vote on the yards and putting it on the City Website and Facebook.

Discussion between members on the main entrance into the City and trying to clean it up with new plants that are correct for this area so they will last longer. Needing to change the trees to boxed instead of staked and make sure that it is maintained well. Wanting to start there before we move to other areas of the city.

Discussion on the irrigation needing to be replaced.

Discussion between members of the only park in the city with an opening and closing ordinance, also wondering if there could be video cameras set up to help with the vandalism.

Discussion between members on the homeless population in the parks and how to correct it. Idea of making only one park available to them.

Discussion by Crystal Ruiz on upcoming Rec. Center events Senior trip on October 2, 2023 to Newman's Castle in Brenham. The fall festival on October 19, 2023 at Riverplace. National night out October 2, 2023 at the pavilion in the park. Fright Night/ Trunk or Treat at Riverplace on October 26, 2023.

Discussion for Michelle Backman feeding people the first week of November at Velasco Community House.

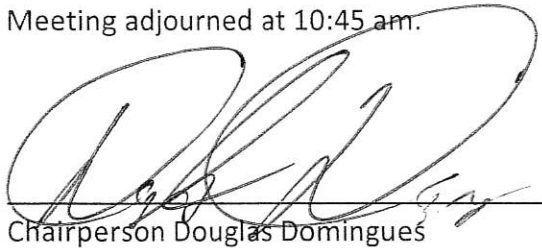
David McGinty spoke about Super Feast being in November and more details to come.

Lance Petty discussed him and Mr. Johnson getting a proposal together for Phillips 66 wanting to donate money for the parks. Stefan F Austin, Arrington and Peppermint Park would be renovated.

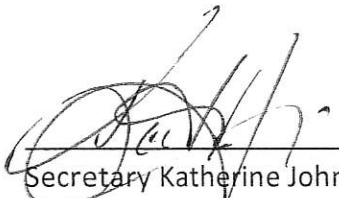
Motion to adjourn at 10:50 made by Douglas Domingues second by Jack Bullman with all in agreement.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

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Chairperson Douglas Domingues
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Member

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Secretary Katherine Johnson
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Member