

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF DENTON  
TOWN OF HICKORY CREEK**

The parks and recreation board of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas convened in a regular session on January 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers, located at 1075 Ronald Reagan Avenue. Notice of the meeting was posted as required by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. The following members were present and constituted a quorum of members:

Susan Irwin, Vice Chairman  
Smita Pascual, Place 2  
Kerby Pierre, Place 4  
Noah Elrod, Place 6  
Lisa Rowell, Place 7

Absent:

Calin Giuroiu, Place 3

Also in attendance were:

John Smith, Town Administrator  
Kristina Smith, Administrative Assistant  
Sydney Leyva, Animal Services Officer  
Chris Gordon, Town Council Liaison

Susan Irwin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Noah Elrod gave the invocation.

**Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**Public Comment**

Rick Troutman, President of the Boys and Girls Club of North Central Texas, stated his desire to hold events benefitting the Boys and Girls Club in Sycamore Bend Park. Kids and Tail Waggers Woofapalooza held last year was well received by the community. Mr. Troutman, with the help of the Town, would like to include an Easter egg hunt in this year's Kids and Tail Waggers. The other event to be held is a music festival with different genres from gospel to blues. Ticket proceeds would benefit the Boys and Girls Club. He would like for attendees to have an opportunity to purchase and consume alcohol. He then discussed traffic control, parking, and a verification process if alcohol is permitted. He stated the events would benefit the community and showcase the parks.

**Item B – Consent Agenda Items**

1. September Meeting Minutes
2. August Financial Statements
3. September Financial Statements
4. October Financial Statements
5. November Financial Statements

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**Motion:** made by Noah Elrod to approve September Meeting Minutes. Motion Seconded by Kerby Pierre.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion:** made by Kerby Pierre to approve August Financial Statements. Motion Seconded by Lisa Rowell.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion:** made by Kerby Pierre to approve September Financial Statements. Motion Seconded by Noah Elrod.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion:** made by Kerby Pierre to approve October Financial Statements. Motion Seconded by Noah Elrod.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion:** made by Kerby Pierre to approve November Financial Statements. Motion Seconded by Noah Elrod.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Item C-Reports**

1. Report from town council liaison on parks related discussions from the last council meeting.

Chris Gordon welcomed the new board member Smita Pascual. Any concerns with the parks need to be reported to John Smith, Town Administrator, and he will delegate to town staff as needed.

**Item D-Regular Agenda Items**

**D (1)- Consider and act on appointment of Parks and Recreation Board officers.**

Susan Irwin, Chairman, Lisa Rowell, Vice Chairman, Noah Elrod, Secretary.

**Motion:** made by Kerby Pierre to approve appointed Parks and Recreation Board officers. Motion seconded by Susan Irwin.

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**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.  
**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**D (2)- Discussion regarding revision of the USACE Lewisville Lake Master Plan.**

The board discussed the USACE Lewisville Lake Master Plan.

**D (3)- Consider and act on a recommendation to clear brush and undergrowth in Corps parks.**

**Motion:** made by Noah Elrod to clear brush and undergrowth in Corps parks in an amount not to exceed \$5,000. Motion seconded by Kerby Pierre.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.  
**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**D (4)- Consider and act on a recommendation, but not limited to, projects or repairs in Arrowhead Park, Harbor Lane Park, Point Vista Park, Sycamore Bend Park, and Tanglewood Park either needed or ongoing.**

Recommendations were made to check the height of benches throughout the parks and additional signs in Arrowhead Park.

**D (5)-Discussion regarding Great American Clean-Up.**

The Great American Clean-up will take place on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 9:00 am.

**D (6) Discussion regarding the powers and duties of the Parks and Recreation Board.**

Chairman Susan Irwin read the ordinances for the powers and duties of the Parks and Recreation Board.

**D. (7) Discussion and update from the Town Administrator regarding the parks.**

Trash Compactors will be installed in the parks the end of January. The Equestrian Trail Project funds have been approved by the Economic Development Corporation and once a public hearing is held, the project will go out to bid. Future Eagle Scout projects include repairing the dock, signs, and painting the railing. The Council approved planting twenty-five Cedar Elm trees throughout the town. A new ordinance was approved, limiting camping to three days instead of seven days in Sycamore Bend which has improved the park.

**D. (8) Discussion regarding allowing alcohol at special events sponsored by the Town of Hickory Creek or private events held in conjunction with the rental of Arrowhead Park Pavilion or Sycamore Bend Park Pavilion.**

The original thought was to follow the Highland Village special event ordinance. It was believed that

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The board discussed allowing alcohol at special events. After much discussion, the board would like for the Town Council to consider allowing alcohol in the parks with the requirement of a special use permit.

**Item E – Adjournment**

**Motion:** made by Noah Elrod to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kerby Pierre.

**Ayes:** Susan Irwin, Smita Pascual, Kerby Pierre, Noah Elrod, and Lisa Rowell.

**Nays:** None

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Approved:

Attest:

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Susan Irwin, Chairman  
Parks and Recreation Board

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Kristina Smith, Administrative Assistant  
Town of Hickory Creek