

Collin County
Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board

Minutes

October 26, 2021

Item No. 1 Call to order

Board President Rutledge Haggard called the Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board meeting to order at 7:39 a.m. Mr. Rutledge welcomed board and staff members.

Board members present: Rutledge Haggard, Ann Norton, Steve Wright, and Norman Gidney.

Absent: Marianne Wells and Ebony Wilson.

Myers Park Staff Present: Judy Moody, Mark Page, Jennifer Rogers & Vanesa Rhodes.

Item No. 2 Review and Action to approve August 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Board member Steve Wright made a motion and was seconded by board member Norman Gidney to table the approval of the August 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes to the next board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Item No. 3 Update on Farm Museum

Farm Museum Coordinator Jennifer Rogers provided an update on the Farm Museum, highlighting upcoming workshops as well as the status of current exhibits and exhibits that are scheduled for 2022 and 2023. Ms. Rogers advised the Farm Museum continues to work with volunteers on a regular basis, informing board members the volunteers are helping with various projects including collection storage inventory & organization. Board member Wright thanked Ms. Rogers for the classes she organizes. Ms. Rogers told board members that past presentations are archived on the Collin County Farm Museum website.

Item No. 4 Update on Recent and Future Events at Myers Park

Events Coordinator Mark Page provided an update on the most recent events that took place at Myers Park & Event Center and he also stated that wedding business is picking up again. Mr. Page told board members the Park will host a Laser show on the upcoming weekend. Additionally, Mr. Page informed board members that events overall

are beginning to pick up. In FY 2020 the Park was host to 271 events, and in FY 2021 there were 326 events hosted at Myers Park. Page also advised board members that a cell phone booster has been approved for installation in the Stall Barn. Lastly, Mr. Page advised staff is gearing up for Vintage Market Days taking place in November and then for the County Livestock show January 8-14, 2022. Mr. Page publically thanked the park grounds crew for their excellence in maintaining the park and helping to keep the events running smoothly.

Item No. 5 Update on FY 2022 Approved Budget

Park Manager Judy Moody introduced new staff member Vanesa Rhodes who has replaced Joanie Bishop and also advised board members the part-time Assistant Events Coordinator position has been filled by Sue Davis. In addition, Ms. Moody advised she has one full-time and one part-time grounds crew position open. Park Manager Moody thanked the board for their support of the FY2022 Myers Park & Event Center budget and advised them the budget was approved. Moody gave an update on both the A/V upgrade for the Landing and the cell phone boosters for the Stall Barn indicating I.T. was working to gather a quote for the project at The Landing and that a requisition was submitted on Monday for the project at the Stall Barn. Ms. Moody informed board members the Park will begin charging \$1 per car to vendors that charge for parking at their events. She also gave an update on the advertising and marketing efforts, stating that Myers Park has advertised on Wedding Wire and The Knot, and stated the park has seen positive results from those advertising efforts.

Item No. 6 Update on Park Projects

The Granary & Confinement Buildings continue to need work performed. The county purchasing department is currently gathering information in order to write the specs needed for the RFQ qualifications.

Item No. 7 Possible Future Agenda Items

The next Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 7:30 a.m. at The Landing.

Item No. 8 Adjourn

Board President Haggard adjourned the meeting at 8:07 a.m.