

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HENDERSON
CITY OF GUN BARREL CITY

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Park Board of the City of Gun Barrel City, Texas met in a Regular Meeting in City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 1716 West Main Street, Gun Barrel City, Texas, on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 4:00pm

2. ROLL CALL & QUORUM

Chairperson, Monica Damiano called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum established. Members in attendance included Gilbert Shelby, Foster Brady, Renetta Burson and Elga Desautel.

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.A Consider and take action to approve the November 18, 2024, and the December 9, 2024, meeting minutes. (Desautel)

No discussion. Elga Desautel makes a motion to approve the minutes from November and December. Renetta Burson – 2nd. All in favor. Motion passes.

3.B Consider and take action to appoint a Vice Chair. (City Manager)

Shelley Coleman resigned from the Park Board; an announcement will be made next week.

Monica Damiano nominates Gilbert Shelby to fill the vacancy. Renetta Burson makes a motion to approve Gilbert as Vice Chair. Foster Brady – 2nd. All in favor. Motion passes.

3.C Consider and take action to approve a 2025 meeting schedule. (City Manager)

The schedule remains the same – every 2nd Monday of the month at 4pm, except for October. The regularly scheduled meeting falls on Columbus Day and City Hall will be closed that day. The meeting will be held the following Monday on October 20th. Elga Desautel makes a motion to approve the 2025 meeting schedule. Renetta Burson – 2nd. All in favor. Motion passes.

3.D Update on financials. (City Manager)

The city will not receive any money from the recycling company until Spring.

3.E Consider and take action on finding and applying for grants. (Brady)

Foster gathered information on how to apply for a grant and where to look. One option is TPWD that administers the National Recreational Trails Fund in Texas under the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). There is also a local Park Grant Program. After some discussion, he will also look to Texas Wildlife. The board will look forward to the next grant cycle with a deadline of February 1, 2026. A specific project and budget will need to be included in the grant request. **The pickleball/tennis courts are the first priority at this time. The second priority are the walking trails.**

3.F Consider and take action to add mile markers for the walking track. (Damiano)

Work still needs to be done for a walking trail/path and it isn't long enough at this time to warrant mile markers. However, there are directional signs around the park.

3.G Update on Disc Golf sign locations. (Shelby/City Manager)

This project has been completed and everything looks good! Regular players are very pleased.

3.H Consider and take action on free library at park. (Burson)

A local organization will be in charge of putting in a box filled with books, which will be free to the community. Elga Desautel made a motion to approve this project and place the book structure near the children's play area and pavilion where there is more foot traffic. Gilbert Shelby – 2nd. All in favor. Motion passes.

3.I Consider and take action on a walkathon in April or May. (Desautel)

There was a brief discussion on what this would look like, as the trail around the park isn't paved, nor is it long or wide enough for a standard walkathon, such as a 5k. It would require a lot of planning. The event probably wouldn't bring in enough money as a stand-alone fundraiser considering the time and effort it would take to plan and execute this type of event. And, there isn't a city event to partner with at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Renetta Burson makes a motion to adjourn. Monica Damiano – 2nd. All in favor. Motion passes.
Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Attest:



Janet Dillard, City Secretary

Approved:



Monica Damiano, Chairperson