

**Martha Baldwin Park Board Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am at Martha Baldwin Park

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Buchanan, Linda Forrester, Jane McKee and Robert Kenning

ADMINISTRATION: Carrie Laird, Parks and Recreation Manager
Michael Jurek, Parks Assistant Foreman

It was moved by Bob Kenning, seconded by Ron Buchanan that the minutes of the November 16, 2015 regular meeting be approved as submitted.

Yeas- 4 Jane McKee, Robert Kenning, Linda Forrester, Ronald Buchanan
Nays- 0

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS REVIEWED PARK FEATURES

The Board walked the park to review various items.

Mike gave an update on fixing the water problem at the park. Mike stated that the city has hired a company called Parjana to perform work to the park to resolve the poor drainage. Mike stated that Parjana has an innovative solution for water redistribution, and relocation back into the water table. Mike suggested we wait to decide what to do as far as plantings until the drainage problem has been corrected.

The Board agreed. The Board asked that we meet again to see the drainage work in progress.

Carrie stated that the invasive cattails in the plant bed were treated in the fall and will be re-evaluated again this year to determine if treatment is needed. Carrie stated that new native Serviceberry trees were planted in the spring.

An ordinance amendment regarding the appointment of Martha Baldwin Park Board members was distributed. Part II of the City Code, Chapter 78 Parks and Recreation, Article III. Martha Baldwin Park Board, Section 78-58.-Composition, Appointment, Terms shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE III: MARTHA BALDWIN PARK BOARD

Sec. 79-58.- Composition, appointment, terms.

The Martha Baldwin Park Board shall consist of four persons who shall be electors of the city, one of whom shall be appointed for a term of four years. ~~The membership of the board shall at all times consist of two men and two women.~~

The suggested amendment of removing the last sentence of this section was approved at the April 26, 2016 City Commission meeting.

DISCUSSION OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Ron suggested that the artwork be removed or at a minimum be moved and that we consider a gazebo. Ron asked that city administration look into the best way to accomplish this.

Bob wanted the minutes to reflect that city administration should be commended for their work, not only at Martha Baldwin Park, but all parks and city properties, everything looks great.

Carrie stated that next meeting will be determined at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am
Carrie Laird, Parks and Recreation Manager