



CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOTICE OF A MEETING

September 1, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
Civic Center Auditorium
16327 Lakeview Dr. Jersey Village, TX 77040

AGENDA

1. **Call to order & Attendance** *Doris Michalak & Maria Thorne*
2. **Approve Minutes from 8-4-2021** *Doris Michalak*
3. **Citizen comments**
Any person who desires to address the Recreation & Events Committee regarding an item on the agenda will be heard at this time. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject matter of the comment is on the agenda, the City staff and Committee Members are not allowed to discuss the subject. Each person is limited to five (5) minutes for comments.
4. **Items for individual consideration**
 - a. Fall Frolic updates - *Doris Michalak*
 - b. Christmas Event discussion - *Joshua Rodrigue*
5. **Staff briefings**
 - a. Parks and Recreation Updates - *Joshua Rodrigue, Robert Basford, Sebastian Marquis*
6. **Future agenda Item request: Please email all future agenda item requests to mthorne@jerseyvillagetx.com .**
7. **Next Meeting date**
8. **Adjournment**

I, Josh Rodrigue, Recreation and Events Coordinator, City of Jersey Village, do hereby certify that the foregoing notice was posted in a place convenient to the general public at City Hall on the 26th day of August at 1:00 pm.

Josh Rodrigue
Recreation and Events Coordinator

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PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 4, 2021

Call to Order

Doris called meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Travis Coggin	<i>Present</i>	Michelle Mitcham	
Nora Hahn		Luke Onorato	<i>Present</i>
Ashley Brown	<i>Present</i>	Josh Rodrigue	<i>Present</i>
David Lock	<i>Present</i>	Robert Basford	<i>Present</i>
Bridget Martinez	<i>Present</i>	Sebastian Marquis	<i>Present</i>
Doris Michalak	<i>Present</i>	Isaac Recinos	<i>Present</i>
Charlie Mattair		Maria Thorne	<i>Present</i>

Approval of Minutes from 07-07-21

Motion was made to approve minutes by Ashley. Motion was seconded by David.

Citizen Comments

None

Items for individual consideration

a. Fall recreation opportunities - *Joshua Rodrigue*

There will be a new Play Guide coming out by the first week of September that will feature activities from September through February. There will be a Concert/Food Truck Festival on October 2nd. The committee will put on the Fall Frolic event, and Isaac is working on some small Halloween events and programs like pumpkin decorating, crafts, and Halloween movie nights. Josh may designate Isaac as the main contact for Fall Frolic.

The first Friday of November is Texas Arbor Day. Josh will contact the businesses on Senate Avenue to find out how much money was raised for the parks department and may use the money to buy trees. Isaac has a contact at a tree nursery and we may be able to get trees donated to give away to residents.

Josh explained that the theme of the play guide is "play". He is thinking of having Isaac work on a field day, or "Day of Play" in the fall. He also talked about starting a bingo series in January due to the popularity of this activity. He is taking suggestions for activities, events, and programs for February.

Josh talked about having a kickball league at the end of September and possibly an adult flag football league during football season. He also mentioned the art classes and the farmers market. He said that the senior fitness class is doing well and is looking to add more programs. Residents have expressed an interest in archery and self-defense classes and Josh will look into those. He asked if any of the committee members had heard of any suggestions or activities that

the residents were interested in for the next 6 months. Doris stated that the committee will let him know. Josh clarified that he would like to have the play guide finalized in the next 3 weeks and that just because an event or activity doesn't make it into the play guide, doesn't mean that it won't happen.

b. b. Christmas Event discussion - Joshua Rodrigue

The most requested event from the last survey was a Christmas night parade with lighted floats. The parade route will likely go down Jersey Dr. this year, but next year's route could be determined by a contest of sorts. The staff and committee members discussed the possible parade route options, using the Easter Bunny route, inviting art cars, low rider cars, school floats, dance teams, student organizations, the high school marching band, etc. Holiday in the Village would be held later in the day so that it connects to the night parade.

Committee members and staff talked about how in the past the streets used to decorate with themes for different areas. Robert talked about putting Christmas parade surveys into the Play Guide. He also mentioned that in Florida there was a trailer company that used to lend out trailers so that people could put together parade floats. The options are a longer route without walking or a shorter route with people walking. Josh talked about the parade in Kerrville and how the parade ended at the City Hall where a tree was lit. Luke talked about getting band members to participate in the walking parade and will send Josh contact information for the director.

c. Fall Frolic updates – *Doris Michalak*

Doris said that the school still has not met so they have not given her a date. Josh stated that the budget is \$2500. Doris talked about possibly having a DJ, face painting, food trucks, games & prizes, car show trunk or treat, bounce houses, light towers, etc. Last year, there were over a dozen businesses and organizations that came and gave away candy. Doris said that the committee will need to act quickly once they find out the date from the school. Doris says that they have to schedule around the football games and will let everyone know as soon as a date is planned by the school.

Staff briefings

Parks

Robert introduced Sebastian Marquis, the new parks supervisor. He also talked about the water line getting put in at Clark Henry Park. The installer will work with Public works. He talked about the new play structure, the gaga ball pit, topping off mulch, and adding to the pool deck. He is applying for a grant from a Playground company for next fiscal year. He also applied for a grant to update all lights to LED lighting at the Police Department.

Sebastian introduced himself and talked about going out and learning about the parks, and how things are done here. He also talked about the esplanades, and irrigation work being done. The parks crew will be doing some tree pruning in the

winter and will clean up dead branches and prune the trees around the pool and a Carol Fox park.

Lights at the park were brought up, and Robert said that he is still looking at it. The way finder signs were also discussed. The sign on Senate was approved by the county and we are just waiting for the contractor. Robert will post updates on the website. The flower beds by Senate and at Philippine were also discussed.

The community garden was talked about and Josh said that he will inquire when school starts. If partnering with a school, it will be located near the school. It was suggested that the JVSO might be able to help with the community garden.

Recreation

Josh talked about the Lazy Day 1.5K. There were over 60 participants and he is thinking about doing it again. He will include it in the recreation survey. The movie was rescheduled for August 20th due to weather. Josh also mentioned the art class, the July 4th event, and that the pool attendance has continued to be high. The pool deck is being extended to the back gate to help keep pool clean and the swim team will also benefit from the added space.

Doris mentioned that she has heard complaints about lifeguards not being attentive. Josh said that there were a record number of saves this year and that they did well on the audit. He is happy with the team and he hears both positive and negative comments. Some of the lifeguards will be moving on to college, so there will be a new team and a period of adjustment next year.

The last farmers market was brought up. It was mentioned that there were not a lot of vendors. Josh said that people don't like to come out when it's hot. He said that he had a bubble truck come out later in the day. Isaac has been working the farmers market and said that there were a lot of shoppers.

Bridget said that some of the vendors she spoke to only come to one of the markets, not both. The community wanted 2, but we may need to go back to just once a month.

Future agenda item request

Fall Frolic
Christmas event

Next Meeting date

September 1, 2021

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bridget and was seconded by Travis.