

Meeting Minutes  
**Fairview Park Board**  
April 3, 2017

Board members present: Brandon Butler, Patti Carroll, Richard Edmondson, Jim Power, and Neil Rice

Also present: Park Superintendent Keith Paisley and Codes Director Wayne Hall

I. Agenda was approved

II. Butler said he had received an email from Kathy Tarolli mentioning that at a recent Planning Commission meeting she had heard reference to a “road to nowhere” in the Walmart shopping center that is “pointed toward Bowie,” and had asked for clarification. Butler said that at the next Planning Commission there will be a one hour workshop prior to the meeting during which he thought the matter would be discussed.

III. Public Announcement on Earth Day—Edmondson said an Earth Day celebration will be held in the park on Saturday, April 22. Sponsored by the Friends of Bowie Nature Park, the event will include organized hikes, live music, a geocaching event, scavenger hunt for kids, and a plant swap. Carroll raised the possibility that there might also be a giveaway of tree saplings.

IV. Minutes for the March 6, 2017 meeting were approved.

V. General park updates: Paisley said that also on Earth Day park staff will hold a “creek hike” to pick up trash in the Little Turnbull Creek.

VI. New trail update: Edmondson and Paisley have received cost estimates from two separate sources on the Storybook Trail project. The joint city/county ad hoc committee has yet to hold a meeting to discuss the estimates.

VII. ADA trail to Joann’s Classroom: Hall said the surveying has been done, but the engineering has yet to be completed. The engineering fee will be \$2,000 to \$2,500. The money is now available to proceed with it.

VIII. History Village updates: Rice said the grinder pump and water lines on the property are to be connected soon, possibly in the current week. Money has been made available to complete the following: floor insulation and insulation of all plumbing lines; hanging of outside windows at school house and the clinic; venting the attic of the schoolhouse; and the handrail in back of the school house. Paisley said the vents in fact have already been done. Hall suggested assigning the Chamber of Commerce an address on Westview Drive. Rice agreed that would be good. Hall also said a consultant he had spoken with had suggested the city acquire two solar panel lights to serve as overhead/outdoor lighting on the property. The lights would be mounted on the school building itself rather than set on poles. Power said they would consist of LED lights.

IX. Veterans Park update: Discussion ensued on getting the engineering completed at the park. Hall said money from the tree bank might be available to help pay for it. An engineer is expected to come to the next Park Board meeting, he said.

X. Update on Bowie Park Master Plan: The main thing lacking for completion of the Master Plan is getting a forestry report done. The money for hiring a forester has been approved on first reading by the Board of Commissioners, Paisley said.

XI. Hosting events at Bowie Park: Power said he had been contacted by two members of the public who had expressed confusion over the process necessary for getting approval to have events in the park. One question that has arisen is whether or not insurance is required. Power said the whole process should be explained clearly, step-by-step, on the city's website. Paisley said use of picnic shelters can be arranged and secured online. He said that for other types of events, people should simply call the park staff and discuss the matter over the phone. Power said it would still be desirable to explain the process more thoroughly on the website, and particularly to clarify what insurance might be required for different type events.

XII. Next meeting will be Monday, May 1, 2017.

XIII. Meeting was adjourned.