

**MINUTES OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
**September 1, 2009**

**Call To Order**

- 10 The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Glenn Varner with the following Board members present: Brandi Patterson, Pam Kitkoski, Marcus Yarbrough, Herb Moltzan and Kevin Moffatt. Chandra Karlen was absent.

15 **Approval of Minutes**

- The preliminary draft of minutes from the previous Park Board meeting on August 4, 2009 was provided to the Board for their review and approval. Pam Kitkoski made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Brandi Patterson seconded the motion which
- 20 was voted on and passed with 4 in favor and 2 abstains.

**Discuss and Consider Adoption of the Parks and Recreation and Open Space Master Plan 2009-2019**

- 25 Mark Spencer with MHS Planning and Design was present to discuss the draft copy of the Master Plan 2009-2019. There are still a few photos, graphics and proofreading edits to be made. Mr. Spencer first discussed the facility priorities with the Board. The facility priorities were as follows:

1. Multi-use Trails
- 30 2. Playgrounds
3. Picnic Areas
4. Natural Open Space
5. Pavilions
6. Water Features (i.e. small lakes, ponds, creeks)
- 35 7. Open Areas for General Play/Sports Practice
8. Swimming Pool/Water Sprayground
9. Baseball
10. Tennis Courts
11. Soccer Fields
- 40 12. Skate Park
13. Softball Fields
14. Disc Golf
15. Volleyball Courts

- The Board agreed to combine baseball and softball and move them up to number eight on the facility priorities list. Brandi Patterson inquired about soccer fields for select soccer leagues in the area. Mr. Griggs stated that at this time, soccer fields have not been listed as a high priority on the citizens' survey. Mr. Spencer stated that there are three future projects that could include implementation of soccer fields. Kevin Moffatt inquired about the need of swimming pools due to the newly constructed natatorium built by the school
- 50 district. Mr. Griggs stated that he didn't foresee a change in the use of the municipal

pools. Mr. Spencer discussed the implementation schedule and informed that this is an aggressive schedule for the park and open space development for the next 10 years. The implementation schedule is:

1. Develop Northshore Park
- 55 2. Continue park development at Caruth Lake Park
3. Acquire 50 acres in South Rockwall for the development of a community park
4. Develop trail linkages
5. Acquire additional neighborhood parks
6. Reconstruct Tuttle Park as a baseball/softball field
- 60 7. Develop Southern Community Park
8. Develop Lakeside Park- Phase I
9. Develop Northern Community Park
10. Develop Trail Linkages

If this schedule is implemented, the level of service provided by the park and open space  
65 system will increase from 8.24 acres for every 1,000 people to 12.5 acres per 1,000 people. In order to continue the current high level of maintenance and programming, additional resources and staffing will be required. Mr. Griggs requested that the Board submit any additional comments or concerns they have for the Master Plan by September 15, 2009. Mr. Spencer will present a final draft with the recommended changes at the  
70 Parks and Recreation Board meeting in October.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was  
75 adjourned at 7:10 p.m.