



**MINUTES OF WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.**

Commissioners present:

Chairman David Krawczynski
Vice Chairman Cynthia Shanahan-Segovia
Commissioner Troy Bippert
Commissioner Rick Hannasch
Commissioner Ken Kneupper
Commissioner Paul Sullivan
Councilmember Robb Erickson (ex-officio)

Commissioners Absent:

Vacant Commission position

Also Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Members present, the Regular Meeting of the Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Advisory Commission was called to order by Chairman Krawczynski at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Citizen's Participation

Martha Stipp, 21007 Cedar Branch, stated she has been answering questions regarding the survey. She stated residents want to know why some of the questions were asked on the survey (age, fawn in the yard, and what subdivision they reside in). She also commented on the start time for the Commission.

3. Business Items-

The Committee may discuss, consider and/or take possible action on the following items:

a) Minutes-

- i. December 18, 2017 Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.**

Motion: Upon a motion made by Commissioner Sullivan, and a second by Commissioner Hannasch, to approve the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting

Minutes from December 18, 2017. The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission voted six (6) for, none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Review and discuss wildlife and wildlife incidents within the City of Garden Ridge.
i. Police

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission reviewed the Police Department Report. They also discussed the bottle neck cases that were documented by the Chief of Police and sent to Texas Parks and Wildlife. They discussed the cause of bottle neck and the slow death that will occur to the deer who have the infection.

ii. Animal Control

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission reviewed and discussed the Animal Control report.

c) Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Discussion/Projects Updates:

i. Interview process for vacancy on the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated that since several City Commissions have vacancies, an article was run in the Grapevine giving residents until January 31, 2018 to submit resumes for the vacancies. She stated that Staff will contact the other residents who previously submitted resumes for the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission to determine if they are still interested in serving. She stated that all resumes will be forwarded to the Commissioners so they can rank them and the top three will be contacted for interviews at the February 20, 2018 meeting.

ii. Availability and Distribution of Live Traps (Sullivan)

Commissioner Sullivan stated he has been sick and unable to put together the information on live traps. He asked that this item be put on the February 20, 2018 agenda.

The Commission agreed by consensus to place this item on the February 20, 2018 agenda.

iii. Wildlife Survey distribution, tabulation and announcement of the tabulation (Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 8:30 a.m., Council Chambers) (Krawczynski)

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated that each City residence was sent two surveys by mail, for a total of 2970 surveys mailed to 1485 homes. She also reminded residents that the last day to submit their completed surveys was Monday, February 5, 2018, by 5:00 p.m. A public tabulation of the returned surveys will be conducted on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the City Council Chambers.

The Commission agreed by consensus that the tabulation results would be disclosed at the next Wildlife Management Advisory Commission meeting on February 20, 2018.

Councilmember Erickson stated after the Commission reviews the tabulations of the surveys, they will need to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding wildlife management.

iv. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed holding an educational session at their meetings, placing the sessions on the City YouTube Channel, and possibly creating a newsletter to be mailed separately to residents.

The training sessions will occur as follows:

March	Commissioner Kneupper	Wildlife in Garden Ridge
April	Commissioner Hannasch	Deer resistant plants and wildlife
May	Chairman Krawczynski	TBA
June	Commissioner Sullivan	Wild hog issues and wild hog management
July	Vice Chairman Segovia	Bats
August	Commissioner Bippert	TBA

Vice Chairman Segovia and Commissioner Sullivan stated they would work together to submit a Grapevine article.

d) City Council January 3, 2018 Regular Meeting Update/Report

Councilmember Erickson stated Vice Chairman Segovia presented an activity and wildlife management survey update to the City Council. He also stated the City Council thanked the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission for their hard work.

e) Set date, time and location for meetings on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 6p.m. (Monday, February 19th City Holiday).

Motion: Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kneupper, and seconded by Commissioner Hannasch, to hold the next Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 due to City holiday on February 19, 2018. The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission voted six (6) for, none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

f) Future Agenda Items.

Tabulation updates and recommendation to City Council (Erickson)
Update on Bottle Jaw
Education/Training Session

4. Citizen Participation

Martha Stipp, 21007 Cedar Branch, spoke on the number of surveys mailed out not matching what was previously stated.

Amy Harrell, 9315 Sumac Lane, encouraged the Commission to put educational material in their Commission packets, look at the City of Hollywood's welcome packet and website, and she inquired to when the City was going to get deer signage on F.M. 3009.

Marilyn Winters, 8450 Park Lane Drive, spoke on the dates of the next Regular Meeting.

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission recalled Agenda Item 3. e)

5. Adjournment

Motion: Upon a motion made by Chairman Krawczynski and a second by Commissioner Sullivan, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



David Krawczynski, Chair

ATTEST:



Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
City Secretary