

MINUTES OF MEETING
ARANSAS PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE
5th Day OF December, 2013
Next Meeting, 19 December 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chairman De McLallen at 1:30 PM at the Aransas County Service Center 1931 FM 2165, Rockport, TX. Notice of the meeting had been posted at the Aransas County Courthouse on December 2, 2013. Members in attendance: De McLallen, Tom Callan, Charles Smith, Deb Corpora, Pam Stranahan, Randy Kemper for Earl Matthew, Adelaide Marlatt for Mayor C.J. Wax and Sandy Jumper. Members absent were Captain Tommy Moore, C.J. Wax, Earl Matthew, Brian Olsen and Jimmy Kendrick. Others present included Ray Kirkwood (Grants and Budgets), Ellen Reisinger, Tom Staley (Consultant) and Betty Stiles.

1. Minutes of 11/07 and 11/21/2013 were approved as written.
2. Informational Items from the Chairmen (with possible action as published in the Agenda):
 - a. The revised ILA between City and County for site maintenance work has been signed by Judge Mills and returned to City for Mayor Wax's signature. Tom Staley reported that he is proceeding with maintenance activities at sites within the City limits.
 - b. Henderson grant discussion around deliverables in near future revealed:
 - Revised contract for Berg Oliver has been returned to them for signature.
 - Progress report due December 10th.
 - c. Naismith Engineering (Craig Thompson, Allen Beyer) Not present, no report.
 - d.

3. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. History: Fence costs need to be confirmed and contract let.
Stranahan has issued 2014 wish list for consideration (see attached email)
Gazebo furnished by LAC Class requires reinforcement and is not safe for occupancy at this time. Warning signs to be posted until repairs are made.

- B. Birding: Work in last two weeks concentrated at Ivy Lane and Castro sites:

Ivy Lane: Essentially complete. Remaining work includes installation of boundary marker consisting of cable and bollards (survey required), installation of interpretive signs on hand, completion of a small round pool. All work to be completed by year end.

Castro: Final drawings for current development are required prior to purchase of plants and trees. This can be accomplished by next meeting. Callan moved to table consideration of quotations until next meeting. Motion seconded by Corpora and approved unanimously.

Tule Marsh East: Feral cats have been removed, Garden has been installed minus a few plants and signs are required.

Shell Crete: No work at present. Confirmed photo blind viewing Tule Creek has been removed from the development plan due to current use of creek bank for hiking etc. View from Pavilion will suffice.

- C. Trails: No news from TXDOT and contract for STEP grant has not been received. McLallen to contact Alvarez for status.
 - D. Kayak: Sites visited by Stranahan, Smith and Vyoral. Estimates are being developed to complete work using County resources.
 - E. GRANTS COMMITTEE - Kirkwood discussed plans for developing the 2014 Work Program and budget. Callan/McLallen/ Smith to review cost information collected by the County Auditor re expenditures to date for accuracy and basis for budgetary planning and work authorization for 2014.
 - F. Trails:
 - Share the Road sign installation is being bid by Pat David of Seashore Signs.
 - There was no report concerning Dwain Halliman's, (TXDOT) assignment to review easements required in accordance with the Pathways Trails Brochure.
 - G. Pavilion Signage: Sandy Jumper presented the Marketing Committee's work in developing 24 x 36 interpretive signs for the Pavilion. This conceptual work is essentially complete and should be able to support a new inquiry for complete sign service including final design and production. Callan to develop inquiry package and bidder's list.
4. Committee set next meeting for December 19th, 2013 at 10:00 AM. to be held at the Aransas County Service Center.
5. There being no further business, Smith moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Tom Callan. There being no objection from the Committee the meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Tom Callan

Approved: De McLallen _____