



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Chair David Krawczynski
Vice-Chair Ken Kneupper
Commissioner Dean Lemmers
Commissioner Troy Bippert
Councilmember Lisa Swint, Ex-officio

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Paul Sullivan (Voluntary Announced Absence)
Commissioner Shannon Drichta (Voluntary Announced Absence)
Commissioner Dr. Denise Miner-Williams (Unannounced Absence)

City Staff, City Councilmembers, and Other Commissioners Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Kat Balbi, Assistant City Secretary

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioners present, Chair Krawczynski called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Advisory Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 16, 2021, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. **Roll Call:** See above.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Krawczynski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Citizen Comment Period:** No one signed up to speak.

5. Business Items

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and action.

a) Education/Training Session – Urban Deer Management by Ben Olsen, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist (limited to 30 minutes)

Ben Olsen, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist, presented "Urban Deer Management" and answered questions from the Commission.

b) Approvals

1. Minutes for June 21, 2021, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Chair Kneupper, seconded by Commissioner Bippert, to approve the minutes for June 21, 2021, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting. The Commission voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Discussions/Reports/Updates

1. Wildlife and wildlife incidents within the City of Garden Ridge.

i. Police Department and Animal Services.

The Commission discussed the wildlife reports from the Police Department and Animal Services.

2. Meeting Updates/Reports

i. Items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at the July and August City Council Regular Meetings.

Chair Krawczynski updated the Commission on the items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at the July and August City Council Meetings.

ii. Items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.

The Commission had no updates at this time.

3. Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner activities and projects.

i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects.

Chair Krawczynski updated the Commission on the Mayor's Monarch Pledge. The Commission agreed by consensus to purchase wildflower seeds for the Butterfly Meadow at Paul Davis Park.

ii. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

The Commission discussed an article on the 2021 deer counts for the October Grapevine.

4. Wildlife Management Plan, Deer Management Program, and Feral Hog Management.

i. Discuss status and make recommendations related to, if needed.

The Commission discussed scheduling the deer counts with Ben Olsen, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist.

5. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

i. Discuss expiring terms (September 30, 2021) of Commissioner David Krawczynski, Commissioner Dean Lemmers, Commissioner Ken Kneupper, and Commissioner Paul Sullivan.

The Commission discussed the expiring terms of Commissioner Krawczynski, Commissioner Lemmers, Commissioner Kneupper, and Commissioner Sullivan. Commissioner Krawczynski, Commissioner Lemmers, and Commissioner Sullivan expressed their desire to continue serving on the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission. Commissioner Kneupper stated he did not wish to serve another term.

ii. Make recommendations to City Council for consideration of reappointment.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Bippert, seconded by Commissioner Lemmers, to recommend to City Council the reappointment of Commissioner Krawczynski, Commissioner Lemmers, and Commissioner Sullivan to serve another term on the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission with terms expiring September 30, 2023. The Commission voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

iii. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of ordinance provisions to commission members, if needed.

The Commission had none at this time.

d) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

The Commission had none at this time.

2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting.

Chair Krawczynski announced the next Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

6. Citizen Comment Period

No one wished to speak.


7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Monday, August 16, 2021, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. by Chair Krawczynski.

ATTEST:



Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary



David Krawczynski
Chair