



City of Garden Ridge

"A way of life, not just a place to live"

AGENDA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission will meet in a regular session on Monday, August 17, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas. This is an open meeting, open to the public, subject to the Open Meetings Law of the State of Texas, and as required by law, notice is hereby posted providing time, place, date, and agenda thereof. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are provided. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made to the City Secretary 48 hours prior to this meeting.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

Rules for Citizens' Participation: The Commission welcomes citizen participation and comments at all Commission Meetings. The Commission offers citizens the opportunity to address them by signing up to speak prior to the meeting. If you speak, you must follow these guidelines:

a) Respect and courtesy:

1. Direct your comments to the entire Commission, not to an individual member, nor to the audience.
2. Show the Commission the same respect that you would like to be shown.
3. End your speaking at the time allotted below.

b) Speaking:

1. First citizen comment period
 - i. You are required to sign up to speak and you are limited to one 3-minute period.
2. Second citizen comment period
 - i. You are not required to sign up and you are limited to one 2-minute period.
3. State your name and address before your comments begin.
4. You are only allowed to speak once per topic, unless also speaking during a posted Public Hearing.

NOTE: The Texas Open Meetings Act permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting. However, any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting and any response to a question posed to the Commission is limited to either a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy. Tex. Gov't Code § 551.042.

5. Business Items

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

- a) Education Session- Q & A Session by Ben Olsen, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist (limited to 30 minutes total).
- b) Approvals
 1. Minutes for June 15, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.
- c) Discussions/Reports/Updates
 1. Wildlife and wildlife incidents within the City of Garden Ridge.
 - i. Police Department and Animal Services.
 2. Oak Wilt within the City of Garden Ridge.
 3. Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner activities and projects.
 - i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects.
 - ii. Update regarding City and/or State wildlife management.

iii. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

4. Meeting Updates/Reports

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

d) Recommendations

1. Feral Hog Management.

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

2. Deer Management Program.

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

3. City of Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Plan.

- i. Discuss updates and make recommendations related to, if needed.

4. Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.

- i. Discuss updates and make recommendations related to, if needed.

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

d) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (September 21, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).

6. **Citizen Comment Period** - limited to 20 minutes total

See "Rules for Citizens' Participation" under Item 4.

7. **Adjournment**

AGENDA NOTICES:

Decorum Required: Any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments may be ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Presiding Officer that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal.

Action by Commission Authorized: The Commission may vote or act upon any item within this Agenda.

Attendance By Other Elected or Appointed Officials: It is anticipated that members of the City Council, other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the City Council, other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

This is to certify that I, Kat Balbi, posted this Agenda at 10:00 a.m. on August 14, 2020, on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas.



Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary



MINUTES
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Vice-Chair David Krawczynski
Commissioner Paul Sullivan (Attended by phone)
Commissioner Dr. Denise Miner-Williams
Commissioner Ken Kneupper
Commissioner Shannon Drichta
Councilmember Lisa Swint, Ex-officio

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Troy Bippert (Unexcused Absence)
Vacancy

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, Vice-Chair Krawczynski called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Advisory Commission to order at 6:23 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2020, 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:** Vice-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 and/or possible action, including recommendations:

a) **Approvals**

1. **Minutes for January 27, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.**

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Kneupper, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, to approve the minutes for January 27, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) **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 report from the Police Department and Animal Services.

2. Oak Wilt within the City of Garden Ridge.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, updated the Commission on the status of oak wilt at Paul Davis Park and surrounding properties as well as answered questions from the Commission.

3. Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner activities and projects.

i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects.

Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams updated the Commission on her meeting with Ben Carson, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist, and discussed scheduling an education session with him.

ii. Update regarding City and/or State wildlife management.

The Commission had no update at this time.

iii. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

The Commission discussed the schedule for future education/training sessions: July – Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams (Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist). Commissioner Sullivan stated he will write a grapevine article about feral hogs.

4. Meeting Updates/Reports

i. Items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at City Council Meetings in February 2020 – June 2020.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, reviewed the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission items discussed at City Council Regular Meetings from February 2020 through June 2020. Vice-Chair Krawczynski updated the Commission on the City Council's acceptance of Commissioner Segovia's resignation.

c) Recommendations

1. Feral Hog Management.

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

Commissioner Kneupper discussed recent hog sightings in Georg Ranch and reviewed the City's current process for trapping and removing feral hogs.

2. Deer Management Program.

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

Vice-Chair Krawczynski stated the City did not trap any deer this year due to the lack of trapping locations.

3. City of Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Plan.

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

The Commission did not have any updates to discuss at this time.

4. Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.

Councilmember Swint updated the Commission on the current activities of the Parks Committee.

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. Update on resignation of Commissioner Segovia.

Vice-Chair Krawczynski thanked Commissioner Segovia for her volunteer services to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission.

ii. Receive recommendations and consideration for appointment of Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Chair and Vice-Chair for the remainder of the term ending October 2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams, to appoint Commissioner Krawczynski as Chair for a term ending October 2020. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams, to appoint Commissioner Kneupper as Vice-Chair for a term ending October 2020. The Commission voted four (4) 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 did not have any additional matters to discuss at this time.

d) Future Agenda Items.

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

The Commission requested to discuss dedications for Commissioner Segovia.

Commissioner Sullivan requested to discuss purchasing additional equipment to trap feral hogs.

2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (July 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).

Chair Krawczynski announced the next Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, July 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

6. Citizen Comment Period - limited to 20 minutes total

No one signed up to speak.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Monday, June 15, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Krawczynski.

ATTEST:

David Krawczynski
Chair

Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary

GARDEN RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT



MEMORANDUM

To: Wildlife Management Commission
City of Garden Ridge

From: Ron Eberhardt
Chief of Police
City of Garden Ridge

Date: 13 July 2020

Copies:

Reference: Monthly Wildlife Statistics / 6 June 2020 to 13 July 2020

Members of the Commission,

Here is the data collected for the preceding weeks regarding the Police Departments involvement with animal related calls. These numbers do not include any cases related to domestic dogs or cats.

6 June 2020 to 13 July 2020

- 1 - Sick racoons - dispatched by Police Officer
- 2 - Loose cows - returned to property by officers
- 1 - Injured fawn - dispatched by Officer
- 1 - Fawn stuck in fence / set free
- 1 - Fawn found dead in residence yard / referred to ACO

GARDEN RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT



MEMORANDUM

To: Wildlife Management Commission
City of Garden Ridge

From: Ron Eberhardt
Chief of Police
City of Garden Ridge

Date: 11 August 2020

Copies:

Reference: Monthly Wildlife Statistics / 13 July 2020 to 11 August 2020

Members of the Commission,

Here is the data collected for the preceding weeks regarding the Police Departments involvement with animal related calls. These numbers do not include any cases related to domestic dogs or cats.

13 July 2020 to 11 August 2020

- 3 - Sick racoons - dispatched by Police Officer
- 1 - Assisted ACO with sick fox relocation
- 2- Trapped pigs dispatched in Trophy Oaks trap



MONTHLY ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT

August 2020

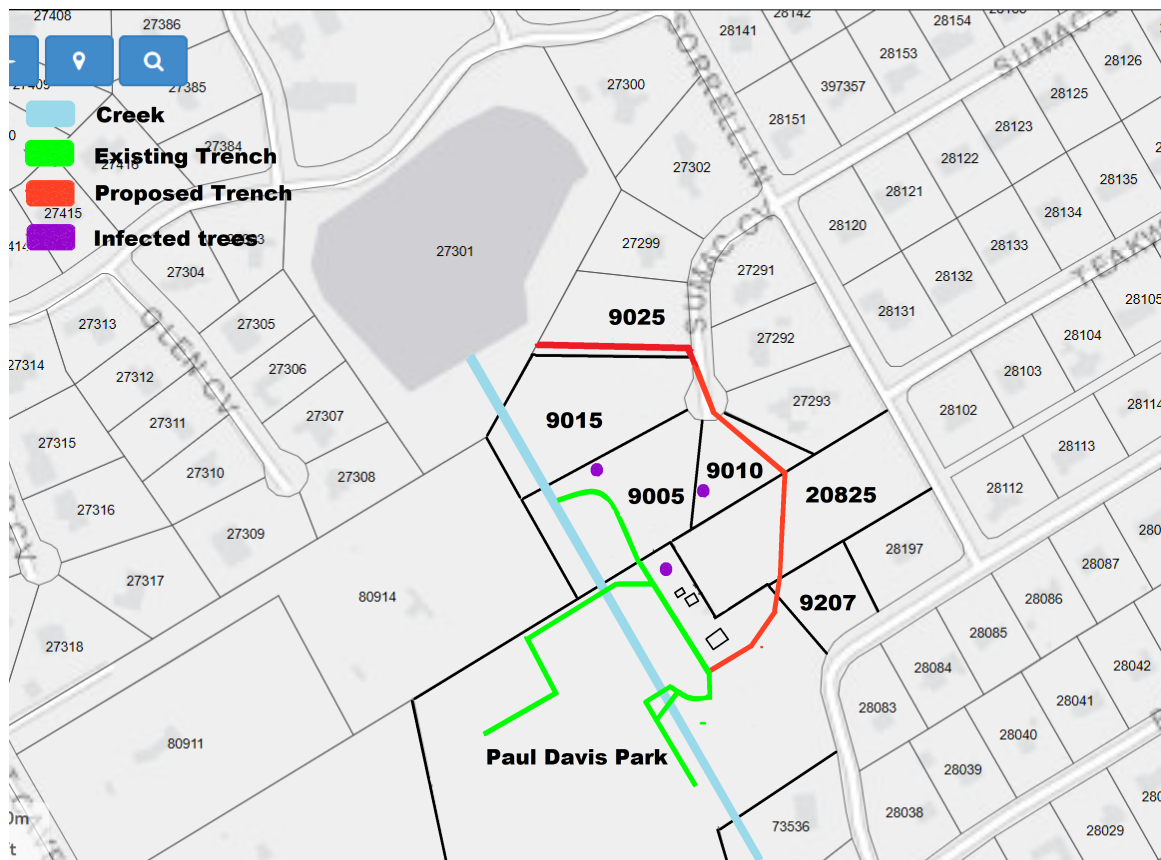
Year to Date Wildlife Report

	Jan	Feb.	Mar	Apr.	May	Jun	Jul	Aug.	Sep.	Oct	Nov	Dec.	Total
Deer	17	18	8	6	9	25	8						91
Raccoons	6	9	11	6	5	5	14						59
Possums	5	8	5	8	5	8	3						42
Skunks	4	6	0	0	2		3						15
Wild hogs	7	5	0	0	0	3	2						15
Turtles	0	0	0	1	0		1						2
Squirrels	4	6	2	6	3	13	7						41
Foxes	0	0	0	0	2		2						4
Armadillos	7	6	2	0	0	3	0						18
Hawks	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						2
Bats	0	0	0	0	0		4						4
Coyotes	0	0	0	0	1		0						1
Buzzards	1	2	0	1	0	1	0						5
Ringtails	0	0	0	0	0		0						0
Snakes	0	0	1	2	0		0						3
Other	0	0	2	0	0		0						0
YTD Total	51	60	31	30	27	60	44						299

Additional information

Information on the 8 Deer:

- 4 - Vehicle
- 2 - Predator
- 2 - Released



Future Agenda Items

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission

September 20, 2020 Regular Meeting

14 days before Meeting	(09/06/2020)	Commission and Staff items are due
11 days before Meeting	(09/10/2020)	City Administrator and Chair review agenda City Attorney is sent the agenda for approval
7 days before Meeting	(09/14/2020)	Post Agenda and Commission will receive packet
4 days before Meeting	(09/16/2020)	Post Agenda Packet to City Website
3 days before Meeting	(09/17/2020)	(72 hours) – Local Govt. Code requirement for posting

City Council = Red
 Quarry Commission = Purple
 Planning & Zoning = Green
 Water Commission = Blue
 Wildlife Management Advisory Commission = Brown
 Municipal Court = Gray
 City Holiday = Orange

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Approvals/Discussions/Reports

- Minutes
- Wildlife Management Plan / Police & Animal Services Wildlife Report / Ordinance 210
- Future Agenda Items: Commissioner Input / Set next meeting

October 19, 2020 Regular Meeting

14 days before Meeting	(10/05/2020)	Commission and Staff items are due
8 days before Meeting	(10/11/2020)	City Administrator and Chair review agenda. City Attorney is sent the agenda for approval.
7 days before Meeting	(10/12/2020)	Post Agenda and Commission will receive packet
4 days before Meeting	(10/14/2020)	Post Agenda Packet to City Website
3 days before Meeting	(10/15/2020)	(72 hours) – Local Govt. Code requirement for posting

City Council = Red
 Quarry Commission = Purple
 Planning & Zoning = Green
 Water Commission = Blue
 Wildlife Management Advisory Commission = Brown
 Municipal Court = Gray
 City Holiday = Orange
 National Night Out = Yellow

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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PENDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Education/training session regarding social media from City Attorney (Kneupper)
- Update on research performed on non-drug birth control studies (TBD)
- Discussion on future surveys, including adult children (age 18 or older) living at home (Kneupper)
- Cost and provider for autopsy of a deer showing signs of Bottleneck (Krawczynski)
- Discussion on catching rainwater (Drichta)

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Rolling Attendance

Commissioners	5/20/19 Regular Meeting	6/17/19 Regular Meeting	7/15/19 Regular Meeting	8/16/19 Regular Meeting	9/16/19 Regular Meeting	10/21/19 Regular Meeting	11/18/19 Regular Meeting	1/27/20 Regular Meeting	6/15/20 Regular Meeting	8/17/20 Regular Meeting		
Krawczynski	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Vacant												
Miner-Williams							P	P	P			
Kneupper	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P			
Drichta					P	P	P	P	P			
Bippert	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	U			
Sullivan	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
P	Present		P-QNM	Present but quorum not met		E	Excused for reasons allowed in Ord. 210					
U	Unannounced Absence			Not member yet		A	Voluntary Announced Absence					

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission's Attendance at City Council Regular Meetings

Commissioners	01/02/20 Regular Meeting	02/05/20 Regular Meeting	03/04/20 Regular Meeting	05/11/20 Special Meeting	06/03/20 Regular Meeting	07/01/20 Regular Meeting	08/05/20 Regular Meeting						Total for year
Krawczynski													
Vacant													
Miner-Williams													
Kneupper		P	P	P	P		P						5
Drichta		P											1
Bippert													
Sullivan													
	Met requirements			Not met requirements									