



# City of Garden Ridge

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## MINUTES

### WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

#### **Commissioners Present:**

Chair David Krawczynski  
Commissioner Paul Sullivan (Present Virtually)  
Commissioner Dr. Denise Miner-Williams  
Commissioner Troy Bippert  
Commissioner Shannon Drichta  
Councilmember Lisa Swint, Ex-officio

#### **Commissioners Absent:**

Vice-Chair Ken Kneupper  
Vacant Position

#### **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, October 19, 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:** 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 September 21, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.**

**Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Bippert, seconded by Commissioner Drichta, to approve the minutes for September 21, 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 reports from the Police Department and Animal Services.

- 2. Oak Wilt within the City of Garden Ridge.**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated trenching at Paul Davis Park and the surrounding properties begins October 26, 2020, and answered questions from the Commission.

- 3. Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner activities and projects.**

##### **i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects.**

The Commission had no updates at this time.

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

The Commission had no updates at this time.

**iii. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.**

Kat Balbi, Assistant City Secretary, spoke regarding a November grapevine article for the Chronic Waste Disease Education Session, which Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams stated she will submit.

**4. Meeting Updates/Reports**

**i. Items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at the September City Council Meeting.**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, updated the Commission on the items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at the October City Council Meeting.

**c) Recommendations**

**1. Feral Hog Management.**

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

The Commission had no updates at this time.

**2. Deer Management Program.**

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

The Commission discussed possible locations for deer trapping. Chair Krawczynski spoke regarding an incentive program for property owners.

**3. City of Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Plan.**

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

Chair Krawczynski requested the new Feral Hog equipment be included in the Wildlife Management Plan.

**4. Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.**

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

Commissioner Drichta updated the Commission on the current activities of the Parks Committee.

**5. Butterfly Meadow in Paul Davis Park.**

**i. Discuss dedicating or re-naming and make a possible recommendation to City Council.**

Commissioner Drichta stated the Parks Committee had concerns with dedicating the Butterfly Meadow in Paul Davis Park to one individual and they are in the process of creating a formal naming procedure.

**6. 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. Receive recommendations and consideration of appointment of Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Chair and Vice-Chair for a one-year term effective October 2020.**

Chair Krawczynski expressed desire to continue serving as Chair and stated Vice-Chair Ken Kneupper expressed desire to continue serving as Vice-Chair.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Drichta, seconded by Commissioner Bippert, to appoint Commissioner Krawczynski as Chair and Commissioner Kenupper as Vice-Chair of the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission for a one-year term effective October 2020. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

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

The Commission had no further matters to discuss at this time.

**d) Future Agenda Items.**

**1. Commissioners input on agenda items.**

Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams requested an education session on Dark Sky.

**2. Reschedule Monday, December 21, 2020, and Monday January 18, 2021, Regular Meetings.**

Chair Krawczynski spoke regarding rescheduling the December and January Regular Meetings due to the holidays. He cancelled the Monday, December 21, 2020, Regular Meeting and rescheduled the Monday January 18, 2021, Regular Meeting to January 25, 2020.

**3. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (November 16, 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, November 16, 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, October 19, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. by Chair Krawczynski.

ATTEST:

  
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Kat Balbi  
Assistant City Secretary

  
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David Krawczynski  
Chair