



Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
City Hall – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room  
January 27, 2025 – 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order by Ladarius Carter at 6:00 pm. The Board members were James Runnels, Mike Haynes, LaDarius Carter, Colin Brady, Melisa Lewis, and Jerry Calderon.

Not in attendance: Gloria Moon was not in attendance

Also in attendance was city staff liaison Marina Garcia-Heredia, Director of Parks and Recreation.

Guests in attendance were: Community members for the Marshall Skatepark Project

2. Presentations from the public (No Official Action): Community members for the Marshall Skatepark Project  
Gary Barbo was in attendance and has been skating for over 40 years. He has traveled the country skating and has helped build skate parks. Requesting a concrete and not a wooden skatepark for consideration from the Parks Board and Parks Department. An example of the park he would like for the City of Marshall is Evergreen Park in Tyler, Texas.
3. Approval of the previous minutes was unanimously approved following a motion by Mike Haynes and a second by James Runnel. There was a quorum at the October 28, 2024 meeting.
4. Marina presented the Recreation, Park Maintenance, Director Report and Projects Reports.  
Notes: Good progress out at Airport Park. Special needs playground equipment "Astroglider" was installed at City Park. Suggestion for next year's power wheel parade – categorize by speed of vehicles by Mike Haynes.
5. Parks Advisory Board Report:  
Notes: Lots of great activities – Keep up the good work, Marina and Parks Staff.
6. Upon a motion made by Colin Brady and second by James Runnels, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm. The next meeting will be on **Monday, February 24, 2025.**