# MINUTES OF THE HOLLYWOOD PARK DEER COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2016

The Hollywood Park Deer Committee met in a regular session on October 10, 2016 at 7:05 p.m. at Town Hall. Notice was posted in accordance with the Texas Opening Meeting Laws.

Committee Chair LuAnn Montgomery called the meeting to order. Committee Members present were LuAnn Montgomery, Tonya Cummings, Nancy Swan, Carol Ingham, Mike Crevoisier, Reid Loehman and Debbie Trueman. Barbara Schmitz was absent. Two positions are vacant. Also present were attorney Artin DerOhanian and Deer Project Manager Randy Tomasini.

<u>APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING</u> Carol Ingham made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Deer Committee Meeting of September 12, 2016, as submitted, and Tonya Cummings seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## WILDLIFE INCIDENT REPORTS There were three Wildlife Incident Reports, as follows:

Sept. 9	200 Block Donella	Fawn caught in fence was freed, but later died of injuries or exhaustion.
Sept. 21	200 Block Rua de Matta	Dead fawn; unknown reason.
Sept. 26	100 Block Donella	Dead fawn; unknown reason.

Carol Ingham made a motion to approve the Wildlife Incident Reports as presented, and Tonya Cummings seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Review and discuss results of Fall Deer Survey. Resident David Swan created a color-coded map showing designated routes covered in the Fall deer count, with the corresponding number of deer counted in each section. Totals for the 2016 Fall Deer Survey and a comparison of the 2015 Fall Survey are as follows:

Year	Bucks	Does	Fawns	Total
2016	35	78	39	152
2015	34	101	49	184

2. Review, discuss and take possible action on H.P. Deer Management expenditures. The Committee and Project Manager discussed the possible expenditure of \$2,400.00 for the purchase of plastic netting to repair panels for deer pens. Several members considered the purchase premature, since the Committee has not determined how it will proceed if release sites are not obtained for Trap, Transfer, Transplant. Nancy Swan made a motion to table consideration of this expenditure until the next deer meeting and Carol Ingham seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Review, discuss and take possible action on issues surrounding appointment of Deer Project Manager and Deer Project Manager Contract. Former Vice Chair Randy Tomasini submitted his resignation from the Deer Committee to Councilman Steve Phillips prior to the September council meeting. Phillips and Mayor Fails accepted his resignation. Tomasini was accepted unanimously by the city council as the Deer Project Manager, and the contract has been executed.
- 4. Review, discuss and take possible action on forthcoming trapping season and issues related thereto. Project Manager Randy Tomasini reported that he is actively pursuing release sites so HP can transfer deer to ranches this season. There is a bumper crop of fawns this year in the areas HP has transferred deer in past years, so those ranches are not an option this year. However, there are still some possible ranches. Although processing deer remains an option if release sites are not obtained, a majority of members present indicated that they are opposed to killing the deer, based on the lower number in this year's deer count, the number of deer losses so far this year, and for sanctity-of-life reasons. Texas Parks & Wildlife now requires that HP submit 15 samples for CWD testing. HP has obtained four, so it still needs 11 more.

**CONSIDERATION OF DATE FOR NEXT MEETING** The next Deer Committee meeting was set for Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

### ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- Review, discuss and take possible action on H.P. Deer Management expenditures, including consideration of \$2,400.00 purchase of netting for pens.
- Review, discuss and take possible action on forthcoming trapping season and issues related thereto.
- Update on status of CDW samples.

**ADJOURNMENT** Carol Ingham made a motion to adjourn. Tonya Cummings seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Chair LuAnn Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THIS MEETING APPROVED AS SUBMITTED (V).
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	Committee Chair, LuAnn Montgomery
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Secretary, Debbie Trueman	Attorney
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