The City of Marfa Parks and Recreation Development Board met in a Regular Meeting on August 23, 2018. Those in attendance included:

Parks President Manuel Baeza, Board Member Virginia Platt, Board Member Irma Salgado, Board Member Trey Gerfers, Board Member Ann Marie Nafziger, Board Member Robert Arbor and Treasurer Daniel Dunlap. Board Member Alex Leos was absent. Special guests Craig Hawker and Ray Vernon were in attendance.

I. Call the Meeting to Order and establish a Quorum.

Parks President Baeza called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. Discussion with action as necessary to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Parks President Baeza made a motion to table the item. Board Member Gerfers seconded the motion. All were in favor.

III. Discussion with action as appropriate to approve the financial report.

Daniel Dunlap went over the financial report and reported that there were no unexpected expenses and that everything looked good. The Sales Tax check received was $16,892.16 and that increased Sales Tax
to $137,751.00 and there is one more check coming in. Mr. Dunlap also went over the bills that had been paid. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented. Board Member Platt seconded the motion. All were in favor.

IV. Discussion with action as appropriate to amend the 2017-2018 fiscal budget. Treasurer Dunlap went over the 2017-2018 FY Budget. For the changes that were made, see the attached Profit & Loss Budget Amendment Report for Oct. 2017 through Sept. 2018:

After going over the budget which nets out to zero, Board Member Gerfers made the motion to accept the Budget Amendment for FY 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Board Member Platt. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning the purchase of playground equipment for Coffield Park.

Ray Vernon the Territory Manager for Exerplay Inc. handed out brochures and showed maps of different playground equipment. Mr. Vernon mentioned that we would get a Buy Board discount and mulch would be included in the price, but installation was not included. Mr. Vernon also mentioned that he would donate 2 benches and that a maintenance kit was also included. After the Board decided on which piece of playground equipment they would like to purchase, Mr. Vernon explained the details of the installation and scope of work, the number of helpers needed, the necessary tools and other equipment needed to tackle the job in 3 to 4 days. Lastly, the color scheme was talked about and Mr. Vernon mentioned the 100-year warranty. Parks President Baeza made the motion to allocate $30,000 from this year’s budget and allocate $25,000 from next year’s fiscal budget. Board Member Platt seconded the motion which carried with all in favor.

VI. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning the purchase of sand for the volleyball court.
After discussion, Parks President Baeza made the motion to allocate $4,500.00 for regular sand and installation. Board Member Gerfers seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

VII. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning possible addition of soccer field to one of Marfa’s City parks. After hearing from Craig Hawker and some ideas that were given to him by about 30 or so citizens, the item died for lack of a motion.

VIII. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning Trey Gerfers request to attend a water conference in San Antonio.

After a discussion by the other Parks Board Members present about how this would benefit the organization, there was no motion made. Item died for lack of a motion.

IX. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning soliciting bids for installation of the guardrail for basketball and volleyball courts.

After agreeing that the guardrails were a necessity, Board Member Gerfers made the motion to solicit bids for installation of the guardrail for basketball and volleyball courts. Board Member Arbor seconded the motion which carried with all in favor.

X. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning but not limited to parks employees’ salaries/contributions. Board Member Nafziger spoke about the possibility of getting into a contract with the city to contract out work for parks maintenance so that the Parks and Recreation Corporation could contribute to paying a portion of the Parks employees’ salaries. Parks President Baeza talked about doing this after the beginning of the new fiscal year with the new budget. After a lengthy discussion, the item died for lack of a motion.
XI. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning installation of lighting for the volleyball court.

After a short discussion, the item died for lack of interest.

XII. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning the dog park.

The committee for the dog park requested for this item to be a permanent agenda item. After the last meeting, it was decided that there was a need to remove all the grass and have the ground scraped. Board Member Arbor talked about the pricing on the turf guard fabric at McCoy's. It was mentioned that the city pays a yearly lease. Board Member Platt gave an update about the dog bite incident and mentioned that the injured party is suing. After speaking to the city attorney on the language for the signs and getting her approval, Board Member Platt asked to move forward with the signage. Board Member Gerfers spoke about adding 2 oak tree and 2 cedars and having timers and everything being fenced in. After discussion, Parks President Baeza made the motion to allocate $2,500.00 for the purchase of 7 rolls of felt and for Board Member Platt to buy signage. The motion was seconded by Board Members Gerfers. All were in favor.

XIII. Discussion with action as appropriate concerning contracting treasurer's position on Marfa Parks and Recreation Development Corporation.

After discussion, Parks President Baeza made the motion to award the treasurer's position on a contract basis to Daniel Dunlap at $35.00 per hour. Board Member Platt seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

Announcements. The next Parks meeting was set for Sept. 13, at 6:00 p.m.
Rachel Whatley told the board members that she would no longer be taking the minutes because of health issues.

XIV. Adjourn.

Board Member Salgado made the motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m., the motion was seconded by Board Member Gerfers. All were in favor.

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President, Marfa Parks and Recreation Development Corp.