

**City of Angleton, Texas
 Angleton Better Living Corporation
 Minutes of Meeting
 Monday January 26, 2009**

The City of Angleton, Texas Angleton Better Living Corporation held it's Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on January 26, 2009 at City Hall, 121 S. Velasco, Angleton, Texas for the following:

1. Declaration of quorum and call to order.
 Those in attendance included:

J. Patrick Henry	Chairman
Gregg Dykes	Vice-Chair
Woody Hazelwood	Board Member
Charlyn Rogers	Board Member
Chris Peltier	Board Member
Dr William Jackson	Board Member
George Rau	Board Member
OTHERS PRESENT:	
Shelly Deisher	City Secretary
Chris Saddler	Recreation Director
Chris Orlea	Recreation Superintendent

1. Declaration of quorum and call to order.
2. Discussion & possible action on approving the minutes from the November 24, 2008 meeting.

Motion to approve minutes: Charlyn Rogers
 Second by: WT Hazelwood

Motion passes: 7 for, 0 against

3. Discussion & Possible Action on the expansion of the Angleton Recreation Center.

Presentation by Brent Bowles with iAD Architects regarding expansion.

Greg Smith stated issues with air conditioning. With expansion, did not want to put rooftop units. Design criteria – outside units hidden by shrubbery.

Patrick Henry: is there impact resistant glass?

Greg Smith: Possibly fabric overlay that snaps in place over glass. City has applied for generator for that location. Still in design

Presenter, Brent Bowles: TDI has to approve. Wayne Dalton fabric shield. Another is trampoline type material. Design fully to code and windstorm. Nothing on roof.

Charlyn Rogers: Will glass be filtered?

Presenter: Yes, will match existing.

Chris Peltier: Put a slope away from the pitch of the roof?

Presenter, Brent Bowles: Not worried about water gathering in pitch.

Motion to approve expansion to go out for bid: Charlyn Rogers

Second: George Rau.

Motion passes: 7 for, 0 against

4. Update on Freedom Park

Doug Roesler - Concrete placed for walkways, pavilions and concession. Seeding has been done. Steel should arrive this week. Working on roofing over dug-outs. Backstops need to be done. Electricity coming with concession stands. Need to test lighting.

Hazelwood: Lack of rain has hurt grass.

Doug Roesler: They have been diligently watering.

Greg Smith: It is my opinion that we do not need to allow baseball association on fields until contractor states grass is suitable for play.

Charlyn: Seeded with winter rye?

Doug: 100 pounds per acre of winter rye. 100 pounds Bermuda remains dormant during winter, during spring Bermuda will start to grow; contractor will warrant 90% Bermuda.

Gregg Dykes: Are we trying to keep people off of the fields now?

Greg Smith: We are giving friendly reminders, but when it gets nicer weather and closer to baseball season we need to discuss when to allow the players on the field.

Charlyn Rogers: Need to put signs?

George Rau: I think we need to not allow play just because the contractor warranty is out unless we really feel like it is established. ABLC could be the organization to make decision whether there is play on the field.

Is there underground irrigation?

Doug Roesler: Only quick connect for water hoses, but no underground.

William Jackson: If there is any question on the grass then lets just go ahead and say not to play on the fields so we don't have to pay for it again later.

Chris Peltier: Seems the right thing to do.

Greg Smith: This is a no brainer except for everyone is really looking forward to this park. Right now we are safe because there are no lights. Get the word out right now so everyone knows not to play on it.

We will have Public Works create some signs to post.

Greg Smith: The city is looking at doing a cinder track sidewalk on Henderson from high school to the apartment complex. Track will be on opposite side of ditch, up close to the Heritage Park fence. Will have to get easements and build bridges. Will have cost estimate on track for Freedom Park also.

Doug Roesler: Update on Pavilion. Original design came back for \$200,000.00 (50 x 25'). Second sketch (downsized) bid; don't have bid on yet, probably \$25,000.00-\$30,000.00.

WT Hazelwood: has it been decided to have additional restroom facilities?

Greg Smith: Yes, according to the proximity to the walking track and joint use.

Chris Saddler: Playground equipment - \$132,000 installed. 550 kid load, wheelchair accessible. 121 X 150

Greg Smith – One of the thought processes that we have had is reducing this down to something that is a little more cost effective and asking if Rotary would be willing to participate in the playground equipment.

Chris Peltier: Playground would have a much bigger impact in the community than a covered structure. The pavillion could be added later.

Charlyn Rogers: Discuss with Rotary what has been going on as far as what dollar amount they are willing to contribute. Still need to communicate with Rotary.

Greg Smith: Is the board open to looking at reducing the pavillion size and adding playground to a lesser amount.

Patrick Henry: Yes I think so.

George Rau: This may all feed into the discussion with outdoor pool. Rec. Center may be more centrally located to build a pavilion.

5. Discussion on outdoor swimming pool – Expansion of Outdoor pool

Greg Smith: Ready for bid. Go over plans at 95% completion, with authorization at 100%. See attachment of membership numbers

Greg Smith: New Regulations – about \$15,000 repairs to open in June. 60 year old pool. Pool is shifting. Started talking to pool professionals and they said pool plaster is made with asbestos. To comply, would have to saw-cut plaster. Cannot disrupt asbestos. Chlorine costs have tripled. Have to amend budget by \$10,000. Pump broken.

Spoke with Parks Board about this matter. Parks thought it was a good idea. Council thought favorably. Considerably cheaper to build new pool.

Staff recommended building the pool at the Rec Center, the locker rooms are sufficient and there is enough public access. All lifeguards already on staff there.

AISSD may do joint venture. Have problems with existing school pool. May make 10 lane, 25 meter pool. Expanded on side for stands for people to watch swim meets and put a bubble over the pool. Bubble company said they can make this work.

The thought is that the City will build the base pool and the School district would pay any additional costs to make the pool what they need. Staff is the only ones that have reviewed this at this time.

We are on short time window. Rancho has agreed to let City use their pool to buy us time.

Need to meet further with school re joint venture for mutual benefit for both parties.

Greg Smith: Is Board willing to allow staff to continue with evaluation of this comprehensive plan?

Charlyn Rogers: Great idea.

6. Questions, updates & City Manager report

New zoning map & ordinance. Adoption during month of February.

7. Adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

J. Patrick Henry
ABLC Chairman

Shelly Deisher
City Secretary