JB Wells Advisory Board

May 20, 2014

In attendance: Kevin LaFleur, Steve Hendershot, Rhonda Hodges, Suzanne Sexton, Crissy O'Neal, Mike Jeffries, Bill Sheppard

Meeting called to order at 5:40 by President Crissy O'Neal.

Kevin made motion to approve minutes of April meeting. Steve seconded, motion carried.

JB Wells Financials: \$900 difference based on cc balance at beginning of next week/month due to end of month. Bank acct changing and JB Wells will be able to post directly instead of having to carry everything to City Hall. Rhonda now has access to encode to print statements. Suzanne moved to approve financials and Kevin seconded.

Jr. High Finals: Crissy said signs (Good Luck Contestants and Welcome Back) need to be put out Thursday and picked up Mon June 2nd. They are to be put on all roads heading into Gonzales. Several board members offered to take 1-2 roadways to put signs out. Crissy had asked Mr. Barnes to have a sign posted at JB Wells showing new Expo Center coming to reassure Jr. High association that Gonzales is moving forward with the plans promised them in there being a building being constructed by 2015. Request was made April 18 and again April 21 to Mr. Barnes and Mr. Patek. Mr. Jeffries commented that he needs a lot of extra volunteers/ all hands on deck for Jr. High Finals. In need of someone to read health papers as contestants pull into Park, greeters at check in, bathroom cleaners and any other warm bodies. Mr. Jeffries gave dates of other events coming to Park; June 5th Cutting, June 12-15 GPA & Team Roping, June 18-22 YRA finals, July 22-26 TYRA finals.

Soccer Fields: Crissy asked Tim Patek for an update via email/and or voicemail and has not received on soccer or walking trails. Noted that the fields need to be seeded. It has been determined that the Parks department would be maintaining the Walking trails and soccer fields. Keith Schauer has 2 bids on the sprinkler systems for the fields. The trails are still not finished. Bill Sheppard asked why the under brush isn't trimmed and noted that it needs to be. The mulch for the trails came out of JB Wells budget not the Parks Department. Sod cost is estimated at \$20k.

Expo Center: Discussion that huge concern amongst board and talk around town along with City employees is that the company Venue Works will be running the whole facility. There is not a signed contract with them that anyone has seen. Trying to figure out the job base for the facility. Question arose as to what the Spencer, lowa facility cost and how much it rents for. Steve commented that he is highly concerned about the cost, rental etc of a \$7 million dollar building and that locals would not afford the rental amount.

Additionally noted that Kevin repaired the potholes on the CR leading into the park so the road would be smooth for Jr. High Finals.

Steve made motion to adjourn at 6:33, followed by a second from Kevin. Motion carried. Adjourned. Next meeting scheduled for June 17.