

MEETING MINUTES

City of Dripping Springs

Farmers Market Association Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 10:00 AM

City Hall, 511 Mercer Street, Dripping Springs, Texas

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

COMMISSION:

Marianne Simmons - Chair

Gouri Johannsen

Brandon Willin

Kambra Bolch

Aimee Mick

Teresa Strube

Aubrey Munguia

Vacancy

Market Managers: Stacy Qualls

The Regular Meeting of the City of Dripping Springs Farmers Market Association Board was called to order at 10:05AM, Tuesday, April 14, 2015 by Marianne Simmons, Chair. Roll call was taken and members present included Gouri Johannsen, Brandon Willin, Teresa Strube, and Aimee Mick, acting as secretary. Members absent were Kambra Bolch and Aubrey Munguia. Also present were Stacy Qualls, Market Manager and new member candidate Diana Black joined the meeting at 10:40.

II. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

Floor open to discussion on any subject. No action may be taken by law. Citizens wishing to speak shall do so after being recognized by the Chair. The Chair may establish a time limit on each citizen wishing to speak.

No presentations by citizens were made.

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2015

A motion to approve the March 10, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes as amended was made by Gouri Johannsen and seconded by Aimee Mick, **VOTE: 5-for, 0-against, 2-absent. Motion passes.**

IV. BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding:

A. Review Vendor Applications

New vendor to the market will be the Fish Tender. A vendor offering wood fire pizza and bread will attend the next market and provide samples.

B. Farmers Market Manager's Monthly Report

The culvert in the parking lot is being replaced. Market manager passed out 80 swag bags at local events.

C. Market Events Update

Coming up is the Earth Day plant sale from the Hays County Master Gardner.

Stacy will provide advertisements about the Dripping Springs Farmers Market for vendors attending the Belterra Farmers Market.

D. Farmers Market Association Board and Vendor Participation in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

The Dripping Springs Farmers Market will not be participating in SNAP.

E. Acquisition of Public Address System for the Market

Marianne Simmons will ask the City to make the purchase of a public address system for the market using Dripping Springs Farmers Market funds.

F. Review and Approval of Revised Vendor Application

New application is already out to vendors and will be due back to the Market Manager with the annual fee by the last day in April.

- G. Report on the Buy Fresh, Buy Local Program
Buy Fresh, Buy Local national program is still in process and working on website. Only Farmers Markets, who have an at least 51% grower/producer market, can participate.
- H. Submission of the Healthy Living with Texas Produce 2015 Texas Department of Agriculture Grant
Grant has been submitted
- I. Market Safety - Enforcement of Safety Guidelines
Vendors will continue to be reminded on safety guidelines
- J. 2015 Market Events Planning
A number of events have been planned. Note -Tomato Round Up June 20. Additional planning continues.
- K. New Design and Purchase of Market Banner
New Logo and marketing materials are needed. The board considered changing the name of the market and decided to table until additional marketing ideas are presented. Brandon will help work on new design. Stacy will request permission to add the time of the market to the existing sign and if approved will make a supplemental sign.
- L. Appointment of Representative of the Veterans Memorial Park/The Triangle Advisory Committee approved for 7 members the board will provide names as recommendations. Brandon has agreed to serve.
- M. Participation at the Belterra Lawn Party on May 9, 2015
We will not participate.
- N. Review of the Farmers Market Manager's Job Description
Table till next month.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Regular City Council Meeting, April 14, 2015 at 5:30pm
- B. Regular Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting, May 11, 2015, at 6:00pm
- C. Regular Farmers Market Association Board Meeting, May 12, 2015 at 10:00am

VI. Adjourn

A motion was made by Brandon Willin and seconded by Aimee Mick to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the City of Dripping Springs Farmers Market Association at 11:50 AM. **VOTE: 5-for, 0-against, 2-absent. Motion passes.**