

Board Members:

District 1 Christopher Amodeo
District 2: Joe McGriff
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District 5: Quinton Rodgers
District 6: Jonathan Faulkenberry
District 7: David Aspesi, Chairman



LCPR Staff:

Chris Clouden, Director
Teresa Willis, Admin Assistant
John Bodner, County Deputy Administrator

January 10, 2023

6:00 PM

**1228 Colonial Commons
Lancaster, SC 29720**

**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Parks and Recreation Administrative Office, Conference Room
MINUTES**

Board Members Present: David Aspesi, Brent Stogner, Chris Amodeo, Jonathan Faulkenberry, Quinton Rodgers, and Joe McGriff

Board Members Absent: none.

Staff Members/Other present: Chris Clouden, Teresa Willis

Call to Order

Chairman Dave Aspesi called the meeting to order at approximately 6:05 p.m. Johnathan Faulkenberry 2nd by Quinton Rodgers

Approval of the Agenda for January 2023 - Chris Amodeo made a motion, 2nd by Joe McGriff

Approval of Minutes from January Meeting: Chris Amodeo made a motion, 2nd by Brent Stogner

Citizen Comments: None

New Business

A. Staff Updates:

We hired two new Athletic Supervisors giving us a total of 6. Posting Custodial Position and two new Maintenance openings with Cliff West's Department.

Chris is working with the VA for staffing with Veterans in the area.

Cliff West was honored as the Employee of the Quarter. We surprised him and had his family in attendance. He was nominated by 2 different employees within Parks and Recreation. Billy Mosteller presented Cliff the award being from his district.

We have had a few interviews for the Deputy Director position. Hiring lifeguards for the pool will start soon. Katie Boone will hopefully be assisting with this part of the pool operation. As for the Summer Camps, all four sites will be hiring. Mike Barnes, Christy Johnson, and Anna Jordan will coordinate this.

B. Maintenance Updates:

Our Maintenance Department has been clearing around the pond at the Walnut Creek facility. Jeff Catoe's crew is going to be helping pull the silt screen from the pond. The maintenance crews have been working getting all the parks and facilities mulched and cleaned up.

After looking into the lighting at the fields in Harrisburg, Walnut Creek, and Heath Springs, we can control the lighting from a phone app. MUSCO has set it all up.

With the Spring Sports starting soon Cliff and crews will be prepping the ball fields as well the soccer fields.

C. Spring Sports Registration:

It started on January 1 for the all Spring Sports, Soccer, Softball, Sweetees, Baseball, T-Ball, and Swing league. Numbers are low only being 9 days. Should pick up once everyone starts sharing the information.

D. Capital Projects Updates:

We are under a TCO at Indian Land Recreation Center – Storm Water wont release due to lingering drainage concerns outside. Roof is leaking in the new and old side of the Gym. Bathrooms in the Indian Land Facility will be getting a make over due to mirrorlike floor conditions in the men's and ladies' rooms. Harrisburg and Heath Spring bathrooms will be on a automated lock for the hours to be set for 8am-7pm. Once games start taking place those hours will be adjusted.

IT is working with Magnum to everything set up on this program. County is looking to update the Barnett building.

The EMS building at the Indian Land facility will be bid out to have it finished.

The Regional Park: The county is still looking going with the 15,000 sq ft building while considering the possibility of a 50,000 sq ft facility. County Council is looking into the pricing cost.

Dave Aspesi asks to see the Woolpert presentation for the regional park. Chris said we will email to everyone tomorrow.

Chris discussed that the ground breaking could be 2024. Being no change in the fields, \$750,000 from USC-Lancaster is still a go and they will have a 3 year agreement with the LCPR for the

Park use. Also discussed were the naming rights of fields. Goal is to get draft to the lawyer by March 27. Brett asks what the terms of that would be. Chris answered by saying it all depends on the lawyer, the council and what is drawn up. Jonathan had a concern with the “Mom and Pops” sponsoring. Doing that could result in opening pandora’s box with naming rights.

Old Business:

The Kershaw parking has been a real issue. Holding up traffic and getting out of it. Chris said they would have our maintenance department investigate that to see if there is an easy solution. Chris Armedo asks about adult sports at the Indian Land Facility. Chris answered saying they are in full swing in that area. They have Open Basketball, Senior Pickle ball, Senior activities/Crafts, Aerobics, and Romp and Read program. Anna at the Springdale site is trying to get her programs going. We are looking to change the flag football from Fall back to the summer.

Advisory Board Comments:

None.

Director Comments:

There are a lot of great opportunities for the Recreation Department. LCPR is working on new ideas. It is an adventure to say the least. He appreciates any in put from the community. I’m learning something new everyday since starting here.

Adjournment:

Adjourned at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

**Teresa Willis
Administrative Assistant**