

Board Members:

District 1 Christopher Amodeo
District 2: Joe McGriff
District 3: Brent Stogner
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District 5: Quinton Rodgers
District 6: Jonathan Faulkenberry
District 7: David Aspesi, Chairman



LCPR Staff:

Hal Hiott, Director
Katherine Jones, Deputy Director
Teresa Willis, Admin Assistant

February 8, 2022

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, Quinton Rodgers, Chris Amodeo, Brent Stogner,

Board Members Absent: Joe McGriff and Jonathan Faulkenberry

Staff Members/Other present: Katherine Jones and Teresa Willis

Call to Order

Chairman David Aspesi called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda for February

Chris Amodeo moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Brent Stogner. Motion Passed 4-0.

Approval of Minutes from January Meeting

Brent Stogner moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Chris Amodeo. Motion passed 4-0

Special Presentations: None

Citizen Comments: None

New Business

A. Promotion and Hire of Athletics Division Supervisor Cassie McInerney. Previous position Athletic Programmer:

Katherine: Introduced Cassie to the Board and told them a little about her. Stated she is adapting very well to her position and ready to go with it.

B. Athletic Programmers position now open and advertised :

Katherine: We are still interviewing for this position. Brent Stogner asked how many openings were left to fill. Katherine stated there is only that 1.

C. Interview for parks maintenance Crew Worker:

Katherine: Had a maintenance worker transfer to the EMS. We did interview and have selected an individual. Waiting on their drug test results.

D. Basketball update and possible All-Star scenarios:

Katherine: The basketball league is going well. The new staff has really done a great job working together and getting ready for playoffs and All-Stars. The regular season will end on Saturday, Feb 12th. February 19th the playoffs start. The All-stars will be around the 25th and 26th of February. LCPR will have their 8U in house.

E. Programming Division update:

Katherine: The After School Program is going well. Have had a few resign do to better pay and hours. They have several activities planned: March 12th – Art/Crafts on the Greenway, Also on the 12 is the big Karate Tournament at the Springdale Recreation, and on Saturday, March 26th it will be the first Movie in the Park for the year. It will be at the Springdale Complex. Trying hard to work around the spring sports.

F. Spring Market, March 11th:

Katherine: They are planning on having the first spring market. They had such a great turn out for the Christmas market, they wanted to try it in the spring but at the Farmers Market.

G. Concession RFP:

Katherine: We have had some citizens wanting to offer concession at the Buford Concession but selling it out of their cars. Also had food trucks wanting to set up. We along with Procurements wanted to turn it into RFP. Hal and Mike Barnes have worked with them on this. On February 22 will be looking at who has applied to do so. Brent Stogner ask would there have to have certain amount of Food Trucks. Katherine stated that the RFP would help with placing them where needed per the amount games being played. .

H. Parks Division update: Repairs from Ice/Snow storm. Beginning weed control and getting ready for the spring sports:

Katherine: Stated that the Springdale Complex had to be closed due to the ice storm. We are going to have equipment stored there to fix the backstops that were damaged.

I. Regional Park awarded design team Woolpert. Procurement will work to come up with contract.

Katherine: Basically once the contract is signed everyone will go to the table and start to work on everything.

J. New Swim Team Coach:

Katherine: We have got a new coach. This will be a paid position. She has been with the program for many years and knows exactly what to do and when to do it. Her name is heather and she is from the Indian Land Area. She is going to be a great asset to the swim team. Brent ask about the Swim Team itself. Ages 5-18 can swim as long as they pass the assessment test required. It is a competitive swim and they do travel around the area to compete. Katherine also mentioned that we are in need of a Pool Manager as of right now.

Old Business

A. Marketing/Public Relations Person update:

Katherine: We have interviewed several for our Marketing position, We finally made an offer to one of the individuals and are waiting on her paper work and drug test to come back. If all is good, they should start that position on Monday, February 21st.

B. Playground update for Harrisburg Soccer Complex:

Katherine: Stated that Hal has picked some of the colors for this project. The committee awarded the project to USA Playground. Dave Aspesi asked how many parking spaces will be available at this facility. Katherine responded with about 120-130 parking spaces. Dave ask also would the sidewalks join at some point. Response was not at this time. The questions was ask where exactly would the playground go here. Katherine explained that it will be going left of the field and right of the building.

C. Bond Projects Update:

The Heath Springs is moving along quite well. The artificial turf is down. Katherine explained that these fields are huge compared to the Harrisburg facility. She also stated that there is a grass area that could be used for more parking and make into a gravel area.

Indian Land Recreation Center is coming along all the delayed material is gradually coming in and things are happening. Will be finalizing the colors also.

D. Thread Trail information and news from Waxhaw side of trail:

Katherine: The Director of Waxhaw has reached out to Hal for repairing bridge. Hal stated would have to talk the County for the cost. Waxhaw wants to put a launch pad for kayaks. Wants LCPR to take the lead only problem is at the Club House in Walnut Creek and we don't own that part.

E. Budget request due February 28 and present to management between March 2-8

Hal and myself are working really hard on the budget to present to the Administrator and Finance on Monday February 28th. Then on March 16 it will be presented to the County Council.

Advisory Board Comments:

Chris Amodeo ask when signs come down at the fields. Teresa responded they stayed up this year due to not have a Gym to display them at. Katherine then usually they come down after Fall Soccer. Chris was also concerned of who can and can't be on the fields. Katherine stated with it being a public park it is hard to handle. The field of E & G are gated due to public getting on them after maintenance has marked them for games. Dave Aspesi ask what is pricing on fencing and gating. Katherine stated is difficult to put a price but starting around \$50,000 and that is a heavier material.

Directors Comments:

None

Adjournment:

Adjourned at 7:00pm by David Aspesi.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Teresa Willis – Administrator Assistant