



## Recreation Committee

### Meeting Minutes

#### September 7, 2021

**Present:** Jarrod Dunbar, Hunter Thrift, Bill Tagliaferri, Tony Vizzini, Colon Starrett, Steve Bare, and Kathleen Saratte. Staff Present: Cory Tobin, Molly Hussey, Alex White and Caprisha Sanders

**Next meeting:** October 5, 2021 at the Recreation Main Office

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### Announcements

Jarrold Dunbar called the meeting to order. Jarrod made a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting. The motion was approved by Bill Tagliaferri and seconded by Kathleen Sarette. Jarrod made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting and motion was approved by Bill Tagliaferri and seconded by Tony Vizzini. The motion carried unanimously. There was not an individual who signed up for the Public Forum.

### Agenda Items

- a. **UPDATES ON THE AQUATIC CENTER PROJECT** – The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of construction for the new Aquatics and Community Center has been completed with Wharton-Smith Construction Company out of Charlotte and the 1<sup>st</sup> phase construction has been done with all of the site work and demolition. Today we will be doing the ground breaking ceremony to get prepared for the next phase where we will have our City Council and a couple of our afterschool kids sharing this moment together by turning over dirt with their golden shovels. They will be preparing to start the next phase of construction and you will start to see grading of the site and smoothing out the area then they will start digging the hole for the pool and laying footings for the building. They are on Contract for 365 days which will put us to opening in July and we should be able to swim next summer. There are no major delays in prolonging the building of the pool and building but the company does not seem concerned about any issues.
- b. **RECREATION SPECIALIST** – We have a new member to join the Parks and Recreation team, Alex White and he is our new Recreation Specialist. He will be working directly with our Program Director Molly with running programming in the off season. He will be overseeing things at the new Aquatics facility once that is completed and will be managing it during the summer.
- c. **POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL** – We were at a Council Committee meeting first thing this morning and there was the discussion about the Community Sports Resolution. The Council was aware of the resolution but did not have time to have discussion on is sooner. We want to help solidify our programming but also the third-party usage and organization who want to access our facilities. We need to know that our programs and children are being safe and ran properly. It just brings structure to all of

our programming policies and procedures that helps us as well as others follow certain guidelines. It seems as though City Council is on board and will move forward with this resolution. This will be able to help us as well as our volunteer staffing with heading in the right direction to alter some policies and upgrading some ways of doing things by raising the standard for our kids and participants.

After no further business the meeting was adjourned and the next meeting will be held on October 5, 2021 at Recreation Main Office.