



Minutes
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
February 28, 2024
7:00 PM
Frank Eagles Meeting Room Town Hall

PRESENT:

Mr. Kevin Mazur, Chair	Commissioner Paul Vilga
Mr. Richard Armant, Member	June Greene, Parks & Recreation Director
Mr. Clay Campbell, Member	Eddie Henderson, Project & Facilities Coordinator
Mr. Aaron Gauger, Member	Nara Stevens, Parks & Recreation Administrative Support Specialist
Dr. Mothanna Al-Hoory, Member	
Ms. Judy Siwy, Member	

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mazur called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. **APPROVAL of January 24, 2024, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

Moved by Board Member Dr. Al-Hoory and Seconded by Board Member Armant. The motion to approve the minutes of January 24, 2024, was carried with an unanimous vote, 7 voted aye, 0 voted nay.

3. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Staff Reports:**

- i. Athletics – June reviewed registration numbers for Baseball, Softball and Soccer. A timeline for registration, evaluations, practice, and the season’s opening games were given. Breakdown of Residents versus Non-Resident were discussed as well as the goal to a team play in a tournament.
- ii. Cultural Programming – June reviewed upcoming activities for Seniors. They include a trip to a casino in Virginia as well as the NC State Fair. Looking to plan a recurring monthly visit to Triangle Town Center the 3rd Friday of every month.
- iii. Special Events – Blood drive March 8, 2024. Inclusive Dance at risk of being cancelled. The annual Egg Rush will be March 23, 2024, at Rolesville Middle School.
- iv. Parks & Facilities – Eddie working on appearance of Redford Park for the upcoming season. A water fountain that includes a bottle filler will be installed before the Summer. The score “tables” stands will be painted prior to the baseball/softball season. Charcoal cooking grills have been installed and look fantastic. The police department will be having a “Picnic with Police” event on March 11, 2024. June talking with a gentleman about AgriTourism at “The Farm” and activities that can be done without requiring the building of infrastructure. Looking to begin getting bids for the “The Farm” in early March. Eddie’s running into an issue with permit approval from DOT for the driveway. The goal is to have the driveway completed by Summer of 2024.
- v. Training – All staff including Part Time staff will be trained on the use of AED’s and CPR certified.
- vi. Parks & Recreation Director – Department needs to make showing the board what programming and community services a priority. The Board of Commissions has expressed their desire to get the Parks & Recreation department funding so they can make a larger impact on the community.

b. **Mission Statement:**

- i. Mission Statement of other towns were reviewed and discussed. Each board member stated a few words about what their vision for the town is and how they would word their mission statement. June will take all the board members input and review. Would like to have a statement by next month’s meeting.

Dr. Al-Hoory excused himself from the meeting for the remainder of the night.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Hills At Harris Creek** – Eddie reviewed the presentation brought to PARAB back in October 2022 which outlined what was requested of the developer back then. What the developer has completed thus far was also shown. Although the developer has met the minimal request and suggestions of the PARAB, the Parks & Recreation department would like to ask the developer to do more. Rerouting of bike lines would like to be done. Other proposals would have to be discussed and reviewed based on limitations put forth by Duke Power and federal laws due to the wetlands.
- b. **Merritt Property** – Eddie reviewed the developer's plan. The current plan does not show any Greenways, side paths or bike lanes. The developer should at least meet the minimal requirements of greenways and there is no indication of that right now. Another recommendation of meeting the minimal Greenway requirements will be requested again.

3. ADJOURN

No further business needed to be discussed, Chair Mazur adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m. The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Wednesday, March 27, 2024.