

Town of Rolesville  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board  
Minutes for Wednesday August 31, 2022

**Call to Order** - 7:01 meeting begins

Kevin Mazur - President  
Derek Versteegen - Secretary  
Aaron Gauger  
Richard Armant  
Mary Ka Powers (*not present*)  
Mothanna Al-Hoory (*not present*)

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JG Ferguson - Parks & Recreation Director  
Paul Vilga - Town Commission Liaison

Motion to Approve Minutes from July 27, 2022 from Richard Armant

Second motion from Aaron Gauger

4-0 in favor of approving minutes from July 27, 2022

**Old Business**

- none

**New Business**

- Boy Scout Project Presentation  
Joshua Liberman presented his proposal for his Giant Adirondack Chair project. The large charge would be built and installed by him and installed in 1 of 7 locations. Roughly, the design would be a 4 feet tall in front, 8 feet tall in the back and 6 feet on the sides
  - Aaron's comments include:
    - Share appreciation for putting together the proposal and for interest in contributing to the community
  - Kevin's comments include:
    - Thanks extended for the presentation
    - Suggests including a plaque like other similar scout projects
  - Derek's comments include:
    - Questions if ground cover will be installed and asks (JG) what the current standard is.
      - Joshua states that ground cover was included in the proposal
      - JG replies the standard is basically 1ft up 1 ft out ... which would imply the need for ground cover (mulch) for safety
    - Asks how the structure will be secured to the ground
      - Joshua explains the posts will be dug into the ground but no cemented in

- Asks if other locations were considered - with the size the structure could be an attraction and provide a reason to visit other town parks - given how crowded Main Street Park can get.
    - Joshua replies that no other locations had been considered but would put it wherever the town decided is best.
  - Expresses main concern is with safety - 4ft in the front but also 8ft for the seat back, with the “arm rests” as illustrated, it would be easy to climb and jump/fall from 4, 6, and 8 feet.
- JG Comments include:
  - suggests location #2 and #6 are most sensible
  - Staff will review locations and bring recommendations to board to decide
  - Waiting to hear back from insurance to see if there are any concerns
- Chandlers Ridge Open Space/Greenway
 

JG explains the developer is not showing interest in a trade as the cost left to complete the greenway is significantly less than the land being considered in the trade is valued. JG adds that with Wake County renewing conversations about the Little River Reservoir there are possible opportunities to get that section of greenway connected through property owned by the same people who sold the town Frazier Farm back in 2007.

## Director Reports

### Facility Update

- JG mentioned everything is going really well.
- JG mentioned being approached about an mural project - more details to come
- Greenway signage completed
- Rolesville Middle School irrigation issues resolved
- Field C lights installed
  - Has also expanded usefulness of field due to coverage
- JG praises Eddie for being a big help since coming in, getting a lot done.
  - Trail maintenance, clearing ground cover
  - Researching/considerations for installing cameras in parks
  - Considering automatic gates - i.e. Forest Ridge State Park
- Commissioner Vilga notes his desire to see cameras in parks with capability of streaming online.
- JG mentioned progress on the Frazier Farm continues
  - Expect to be in front of NCDOT by Nov/Dec
  - Might be built by Fall of 2023
  - Commissioner Vilga and Derek both communicate their desire to see it installed earlier so the Park can be open in the Spring of 2023.

### Programs

- See Amended document  
*[no additional discussion]*

### Events

- See Amended document  
*[no additional discussion]*

## **Committee Reports**

### **OSAG Committee**

- Had drawn up and discussed an amendment to the recently approved greenway plan to address concerns along Tom's Creek and the Wallbrook Development Project. As it turns out the work was not needed as it was based on an older version of what was finally approved. Therefore the amendment was withdrawn from the agenda.
- Review of discrepancies will continue
- JG suggests that it might be a good idea to add Eddie to OSAG meetings and resume them on a regular basis - Derek welcomes the idea.
- JG mentions that he will be looking into clearing and maintaining town owned greenway easements as a means to ensure they are not lost or encroached upon. Additionally, this will provide some limited use (as a nature trail) and will also help assess priorities.

### **Facility Naming and Identity Committee**

- No report provided

## **Other Business**

- Commissioner Vilga shares information related to a resident who would like to see a community garden started.
  - JG mentions the need for water on site but there are many community garden program concepts that will have to be reviewed and decided upon.
  - Although some details of the request were shared, the general response is two fold:
    - There is a community garden planned for in the Frazier Farm Master Plan
    - Derek suggests the resident start the "Friend's of Frazier Farm" organization as a means of bringing awareness to the park, its plan, and the need to get this project moving.

**Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn by Derek Versteegen is seconded by Kevin Mazur. Meeting ends at 8:31.

Next Meeting is Wednesday, September 24..