

ALAMANCE COUNTY
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17TH, 2015 MEETING
CEDAROCK PARK

Members Present (Underlined): Chairman Ryan Kirk, Vice-Chair Kelly Ronnow, Commissioner Eddie Boswell, Mr. Mark Payne, Mr. Bobby Harmon, Mr. Doug Bayliff, Mrs. Kelly May, Mr. Lee Isley, Mr. John Paisley

Recreation and Parks Staff Present: Brian Baker, Director

I. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 6:03 PM.
- B. Upon a motion of Doug Bayliff and a second of Lee Isley, the minutes of the January 20th, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously.

II. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

No Report Given

III. REPORT OF STAFF

- A. Monthly Departmental Report – Brian Baker reported on the Department’s activities in January and February including completed building and maintenance projects.
- B. Personnel Report – Brian Baker announced the upcoming retirement of Eugene Jordan and the posting of his position.

IV. UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS

- A. Results of the Saxapahaw Island Public Meeting
Brian Baker presented a summary of the public comments regarding the development of Saxapahaw Island that were voiced at the January 20th, 2015 public meeting. Over the coming months, Recreation and Parks staff will be developing plans for the island based on the public input before bringing draft plans back to the community.
- B. Update on the Sale of Property to Dollar General by ABSS
Brian Baker presented an update on the proposed sale of a portion of property adjacent to Pleasant Grove Community Center to Dollar General. The property is currently owned by Alamance Burlington School System. After discussion, and upon the motion of John Paisley and the second of Doug Bayliff, a motion to recommend that the Alamance County Board of Commissioners and the Alamance Burlington School System not sell the property was passed by acclamation.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Football Rules Changes

A discussion was held regarding the current weight limits for participants in the Alamance County youth football league. A proposal by staff to raise the current weight limits to include more participants was discussed. After discussion, action on the changes was tabled for future consideration.

B. Impact Alamance Grant Proposal

Brian Baker presented information about the Recreation and Parks Department's plans to submit an application to Impact Alamance to fund the replacement of the aging play structure at Eli Whitney Recreation Center. Upon the motion of Vice-Chair Ronnow and the second of Commissioner Boswell, a motion to recommend that the Alamance County Board of Commissioners approve the submission of the application was approved unanimously.

C. FY 2015-2106 Budget Request and Fee Schedule

Information was presented about the proposed budget request to be submitted to the Alamance County Board of Commissioners. No action was taken by the Commission.

D. Equestrian Trail Online Petition

A discussion was held about the recent online petition that urged that the equestrian trails at Cedarock Park be named in honor of a recently deceased member of the community. After discussion, a recommendation was made that staff reach out to the affected family to discuss service projects or other means to honor the memory of the deceased. No official action was taken by the Commission.

E. Vacancy on the Recreation and Parks Commission

The recent resignation from the Commission of Bobby Harmon has created a need for an additional member on the Recreation and Parks Commission. After discussion, and upon the motion of John Paisley and the second of Doug Bailiff, the Commission voted unanimously to recommend that the Alamance County Board of Commissioners appoint Earl Jagers to the Recreation and Parks Commission.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Vice-Chair Ronnow and the second of Lee Isley, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Brian Baker