

ALAMANCE COUNTY  
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019 MEETING  
ALAMANCE COUNTY ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM  
201 W. ELM STREET, GRAHAM NC 27253

MINUTES

Members Present (Underlined): Chairman Lee Isley, Vice-Chair Kelly May, Mr. John Paisley, Mr. Wayne Beam, Commissioner Bill Lashley, Mr. Earl Jagers, Ms. Ann Meletzke, Mrs. Barbara Massey, Mr. Kirk Puckett

I. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 12:38pm.

B. Approval of March 19, 2019 Minutes

Upon a motion of John Paisley and the second of Ann Meletzke, the Commission voted unanimously to approve minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting.

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Discussion of Youth Athletics Heat Policy

Members of the Mebane Recreation Department and Hawfield's Civitan Club were present to discuss the Alamance County Recreation and Parks Heat Policy for youth sports. The current policy was adopted in August 2010 and is based on research available at that time. All parties present were in agreement that a new policy, informed by current science and taking into account current weather patterns would be appropriate to adopt. Brian Baker, Director of Alamance Parks presented for consideration guidelines created by the National Safe Kids Campaign. All parties were in favor of utilizing these guidelines to inform a new Alamance County Recreation and Parks Heat Policy.

III. **REPORT OF CHAIRMAN**

No report was offered

IV. **REPORT OF STAFF**

A. Monthly Departmental Report

Brian Baker reported that the department met 19 out of 20 Performance Management goals for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. New performance management goals were approved for the 2019-20 fiscal year and will be shared at the next meeting.

IV. **UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS**

A. Park Rental Policies

Jason Witherspoon presented a draft of the park rental policy for Alamance Parks' facilities. The policy draft reflects changes requested by the commission from previous discussions and has been approved by the county attorney. The commission members discussed the policy and a motion was made to approve the policy with changes made to section IX, including: Adding verbiage that states "payment must be made in advance of event", and reflecting multi-day pricing options. Upon the motion of Kelly May and second of Ann Meletzke, the motion carried with John Paisley abstaining. The commission requests the option to revisit the policy after two years.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Consideration of the Impact Alamance application for grant funds for playground improvements at the Pleasant Grove Community Center.**
- i. **Project Overview:**  
Director Brian Baker gave a description of the project and explanation of the use of requested funds.
  - ii. **Approval to Apply for Funding:**  
Upon the motion of John Paisley and second of Ann Meletzke, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the application to apply for Impact Alamance grant funding for playground improvements at the Pleasant Grove Community Center.
- B. **Youth Athletics Heat Policy**
- i. Commission members discussed implementing a new youth athletics heat policy informed by the National Safe Kids Campaign guidelines. A motion was made to adopt a new policy with the following adjustments made to the Activity Guidelines, sections B and C: "Appropriate attire must be worn and no protective equipment". Upon the motion of Kelly May and second of John Paisley the motion carried unanimously. The commission requests the option to revisit the policy after two years.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 2:10pm upon the motion of John Paisley and second of Barbara Massey.

Respectfully Submitted, Brian Baker