

ALAMANCE COUNTY
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 MEETING
SHALLOW FORD NATURAL AREA
1955 GERRINGER MILL ROAD, ELON NC 27244

MINUTES

Members Present (Underlined): Chairman Lee Isley, Vice-Chair Kelly May, Commissioner Pamela Thompson, Mr. Ryan Bowden, Mr. Earl Jagers, Ms. Ann Meletzke, Ms. Bhavna Hilligrass, Mr. David Woody, Mr. Travis Sapp,

Alamance Parks Staff Present: Brian Baker, Director

I. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 6:06pm

B. Approval of the April 20, 2021 Minutes

Upon a motion of David Woody and the second of Kelly May, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 meeting.

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments were made by Mike Dunning and Stephanie Enoch, both introducing themselves and expressing a desire to be appointed fill the vacancy on the Recreation and Parks Commission.

III. **REPORT OF CHAIRMAN**

None

IV. **REPORT OF STAFF**

Department Report

Alamance Parks Director Brian Baker presented the monthly departmental report for April. He reported that attendance at the parks continues to be good. Spring baseball in underway. Brian discussed the 2021 NRPA Agency report provided to the Commission.

V. **UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS**

A. Recreation and Parks Commission Membership

There is one additional Commission membership vacancy. After discussion of the candidates. Pam Thompson nominated Mike Dunning to fill the vacancy. Bhavna Hilligrass nominated Mike Mahon. The motion to recommend to the County Commissioners that Mike Dunning be appointed to the Commission received four votes, a majority, and passed.

B. Park Sponsorship/Friends Group Discussion

The Commission continued to discuss possible options and structures for a Friends of Alamance Parks Group. Kelly May discussed how Burlington Recreation and Parks is implementing their Adopt-A-Park program. Bhavna Hilligrass suggested that a group volunteer for the Burlington program in order to gain insight into the process. No formal action was taken and the board will revisit this initiative during future meetings.

C. Additional Disc Golf Course at Cedarock Park

The Commission discussed the opportunity to install a third, permanent disc golf course at Cedarock Park. Commission members discussed the hike of the location of the proposed course. It was determined that another draft layout should be considered to balance the impact of the disc golf course on casual walkers in the park. No formal action was taken – this will be discussed at the next meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm upon the motion of Kelly May and the second of David Woody.