

ALAMANCE COUNTY
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022 MEETING
ALAMANCE PARKS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
3916 R DEAN COLEMAN ROAD, BURLINGTON, NC 27215

MINUTES

Members Present: Chairman Lee Isley, Commissioner Bill T. Lashley, Mr. Ryan Bowden, Mr. David Woody, Ms. Kelly Ronnow, Mr. Mike Dunning, Ms. Lisa Wolff, Mr. Peter Dahl, Dr. Harold Kernodle, Mr. Joseph McHugh, Mr. Thomas Purcell

Alamance Parks Staff Present: Brian Baker, Director; Steve Shaw, Parks Superintendent; Nolan Carter, Trail and Open Space Coordinator; Anna Bowland, Grants & Communications Coordinator

I. COMMUNICATIONS

A. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 12:33pm

B. Approval of the June 21, 2022 Minutes

Upon a motion of David Woody and the second of Kelly Ronnow the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022 meeting.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

III. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Chairman Lee Isley welcomed new commission members Tommy Purcell, Harold Kernodle, and Joseph McHugh and thanked them for their willingness to serve on the Commission.

IV. REPORT OF STAFF

Department Report

Director Brian Baker reported that park and program attendance continues to be steady. Brian outlined changes that will be happening at Cedarrock Park this fall which include trail re-routes, re-locating the camping area, and the development of a third disc golf course. These changes will be finalized in October and new park signage and maps are being developed.

V. UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS

A. Trail Updates - Haw River Trail

Trail and Open Space Coordinator, Nolan Carter, shared updates of acquisitions along the river. He continues to work with landowners in northern Alamance County on Leath Road to secure leases and easements.

- B. Eli Whitney Floor
Parks Superintendent Steve Shaw gave an update on the construction of the gym flooring at the Eli Whitney Community Center. The project is approximately 75% completed and is expected to be finished in August.

- C. Cane Creek Mountains Natural Area Observation Tower
Nolan Carter provided an update on the progress of the Observation Tower at Cane Creek Mountains Natural Area. Alamance Parks is now working with BAR Construction to complete the design and installation of the tower. Currently they are working through the design logistics and project budget.

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Annual Election of Officers
Brian Baker initiated the process of electing new officers. Upon the motion of Peter Dahl and second of David Woody, Lee Isley was unanimously selected as the Chairman of the Commission. Upon the motion of Tommy Purcell and second of Bill Lashley, Peter Dahl was unanimously selected as the Vice-Chair of the Commission.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:28pm upon the motion of Peter Dahl and second of Lee Isley.

Respectfully Submitted, Brian Baker