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PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

February 20, 2013

6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Mary Green

Ann Hollingsworth

Verda Darrell

Joyce Robinson (Absent)

Brittany Harrelson

Melissa Thomas

Sandra Krasnow

Barbara Glidden

Suzanne Goffredo

Bruce Pennington (Absent)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melissa Thomas at 6:32 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the January minutes by Ann Hollingsworth and seconded by Sandra Krasnow.

Motion carried 6-0

3. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Teen Task Force:

Mary Green, Parks and Recreation Director, has asked that by March 8, 2013 the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board have a list of titles, or names of people in the area, or surrounding areas that are willing to be a part of the task force. A luncheon will be held on March 21, 2013. This will be to discuss ideas for the teens, and to see who can donate time and etc. to making this task force possible. With the teen population growing Mary Green wanted to emphasize the fact that this task force needs to get rolling, and help the teens in the area. The Board discussed back and forth different places they thought might be of interest and will get names to Mary Green as soon as possible. This effort will be covered by the State Port Pilot.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Disc Golf:

This Disc Golf course is up and running! It has been up and running for about three weeks. Mary Green has gotten together with the Brunswick County Disc Golf Association and they are going to try to get the community involved to finish these last 9 holes. The course still needs some work, but for the most part it is complete. A company in Wilmington donated the goals for the front nine, and the work perfectly. However the Disc Golf Association is trying to raise money for the real goals for the back nine. Companies around the community are encouraged to contact the association. They will have signage made by a company in Wilmington and it will show that the company sponsored the hole.

Mary Green wanted to announce that she was very impressed with the way the course has been taken care of. With the trash bins that are out there, she has not found a single piece of trash on the ground. There has already been a lot of activity on the course. She is looking already at about 15-20 people a day. The Community Center will soon purchase discs that can be rented for the residents that do not have any of their own.

Ernie and his crew have done a lot of work for Mary, and getting the course in line. There is a trench that needs to be covered back up that will be in the works within the next couple of weeks. Everyone is encouraged to go and look at the course!

B. Little Free Library

The Little Free Library will be up and running by next week over at Muse Park. The library will be for children's books and the box will be kept up nicely. They are going to place it at the right of the picnic tables, in the mulch area if you are looking at the park. This library will be visible from the road. There will also be a dedication service, and it will be covered by the State Port Pilot.

C. Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Plan:

Mary Green brought an update about the capital improvement plan. She wanted to continue doing the treadmill cycle. She has two more years to go on that. She would also like to start a cycle for the elliptical. It has been there for nine years, and though it is not motorized, they have a lot of wear and tear.

Alton Lennon Park has been looked into for making a floating dock, that is easily accessible for boaters. The dock that seems to be the best choice is from a company called EZ- Docks. It is made of recycled material that is

essentially made for lifelong use. There are plenty of precautions that this company takes to ensure safety. With a twenty percent cushion into the price, for any extra items needed the estimated cost would be \$17,200.00. The Board agreed for the length of time it will last, the quality, and the amount of dock you are getting, it was a very reasonable price.

Charles Schneider's Park equipment is also on the capital plan. Mary Green state that if we could not get new equipment, the park needed to be removed for safety hazards. The estimated cost of all new equipment is approximately \$28,200.00. The board also agreed after a trip to the park.

Next year, **2014-2015** the Community Center and Parks and Recreation department will need a new bus. The bus they have currently will not be able to accommodate the amount of students, and it is becoming worn out. They have stretched it as far as it can go.

Mary Green touched base with the board about needing an expansion. The Community Center is getting entirely too small. She hopes to begin with that process within the next three years, and have it in two separate phases. She would want to get the PARTF \$500,000.00 Grant. This is matching, so the city would put in \$500,000.00 and it would be matched.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Drug Disposal:

Ann Hollingsworth announced that there will be a drug disposal at Doshier Hospital on February 28, 2013.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments

7. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned by Melissa Thomas at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Brittany Harrelson