



City of Boiling Spring Lakes

9 East Boiling Spring Road
Boiling Spring Lakes, NC 28461

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes September 16, 2020

Members Present:

Stephen Dunn, Bruce Pennington, Barbara Bennett Snyder, Marsha Stone, Joene Williamson, Chastity Rosebrock (by phone)

Commissioner Liaison Tom Guzulaitis and Parks & Recreation Director, Mary Green

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by acting chair Bruce Pennington

II. Introductions

Board members introduced themselves and welcomed new member Marsha Stone aboard the P&R Advisory Board.

III. Approval of Agenda

Stephen Dunn made a correction to the events listed. Groove & Move at the First Baptist Church takes place M, W&F at 9am, and Fit 4 Life takes place M, W & F at 10am. After that correction, a motion was made by Barbara Snyder with a second by Stephen Dunn to approve the Agenda.

Vote 6-0

IV. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Stephen Dunn with a second by Barbara Snyder to approve the August 19, 2020 minutes as written.

Vote 6-0

V. Director's Monthly Report

A report was distributed to all members giving some new and exciting information from Parks and Recreation. Fitness room is now open for monthly and yearly members, by

appointment for a 45 minute time slot. The city has purchased a new electrostatic mister for sanitation of the CC. The CC Assistant II position has been filled, but the Assistant I position remains unfilled. Mirror Lake failed water quality testing, will continue the advisory until October 15. Senior exercise classes will remain at First Baptist Church. Line Dancing will return to the CC in October. Karate classes will return to CC in November. Congregate meals remain M, W, F through drive through lane at the CC. Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan to go to Board of Commissioners for adoption in November. Revenue and Expenses are both under budget for the year.

VI. Committee Reports

Committees to be assigned at October meeting. Barbara Snyder currently handles communication keeping up the FB page and newsletter.

VII. Public Comment

No Public Comment

VIII. Old Business

a. **Pedestrian Plan** – a final draft is nearing completion and will call to formalize plans into dam restructure. Tom Guzulaitis explained that the sooner we can adopt an overlay district then the DOT has to go by that plan. He suggested canvassing folks to see who wants to keep plugging along on the plan. Mary Green will make a brief overview of the Pedestrian Plan in the October meeting.

b. **Community/ Learning Garden** – The Parks & Recreation Director says the area will start being cleaned up by Cameron Troscianic, an Eagle Scout, and he will begin to build benches and ‘teaching tables’. A Flood Plain permit still needs to be obtained for this project. Barbara Snyder mentioned that Wilmington just got a grant for a Learning Garden, and we might see what they did.

c. **North Lake Park** - Parks & Rec Director, Mary Green gave handouts on the parcels that need purchasing for the proposed North Lake Park. She wants to go to the Commissioner’s Meeting in October asking them to purchase the two lots that the city does not already own that are ‘book ends’ to this property on Lakeview Dr. This would allow the city to cut off Lakeview Dr. to traffic beyond the parking area, and give acreage for a park with access to North Lake. Members of the Boiling Spring Lakes Parks & Recreation Advisory Board signed a memo to go to the Commissioners Meeting in October, with these requests.

d. **Fall Camp 2.0 with Virtual Learning** – Parks & Rec Director, Mary Green, gave an update on what is happening with DHHS and the mandate that we were only allowed four months of ‘Camp’. Brunswick County School Board would not allow P&R to go under the School Board’s license to continue with camp for the students enrolled and doing their virtual learning at the CC. Since that time, though, the governor has asked DHHS to rewrite the law, and is allowing this activity to continue, so Camp 2.0 with Virtual Learning will keep rolling

forward! With the advent of Cohort A and Cohort B coming soon, the CC will have 14 students on M,T,Th,F, and 28 on Weds, when all students will be out of the school buildings. There is \$19M in grant money available on a first-come, first-served basis for programs (with a \$100,000 cap per program) that must be spent by December of 2020. Mary will apply for money which would allow the center to have more staff for this camp.

e. **BOC review and remind.** Chastity Rosebrock will go with an update to the Commissioner's Meeting in October. Barbara Snyder is slated to go to the November meeting.

IX. New Business

a. **Community Center staffing & hours of operation.** The hours of operation for the Community Center is now 7am – 5:30pm for children in Fall Camp 2.0, 8am – 5 pm for the gym, except for 12-1pm when it is closed for cleaning. One new PT staff member starts Thursday, September 17, while one position remains open. When that position is filled, then the CC will remain open until 8pm.

X. Next Meeting Agenda Items

Committee Selection
Pedestrian Plan Presentation
Elections

XI. Announcements

Mary Green expressed many thanks to Stephen and the First Baptist Church for the use of the church for senior activities.

Parks & Rec expects that in October outdoor concerts can resume at Spring Lake.

Trunk or Treat is being pondered.

Things to come include a catered lunch for seniors and an outing on Southport River Tours!

XII. Adjourn

A motion was made by Barbara Snyder with a second by Marsha Stone to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:55pm.

Vote 6-0

Minutes humbly submitted by Joene Williamson
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Member