

# LEE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION

## COMMISSION MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018

### MINUTES

The Lee County Parks and Recreation Commission met Monday, March 26, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Dr., Sanford, NC 27330

Members present were, Chairman LeVerne Kinney, Chad Spivey, Greg Crowson, Cameron Sharpe, Bill Oberkirsch, Katelynn Vogt, also present were John Payne, Parks and Recreation Director and Judith Wilson secretary.

Absent were Butch Saunders, Mickey Bowman, Bobby Piggie and Kevin Frazier

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman LeVerne Kinney called the meeting to order at 5:31. Greg Crowson made the motion to approve the minutes Chad Spivey seconded all in favor unanimous.

#### **II. ADDITION/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

None/Chad Spivey motioned to approve the agenda Bill Oberkirsch seconded all in favor unanimous.

#### **III. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS (public comment)**

None

#### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

##### **A. Kiwanis Family Park Update**

Construction to begin in the fall.

##### **B. SECU at Bragg Street Update**

The BOC approved use of 50-75 feet that lies on the boundaries of the park for their equipment; they will put up security fencing and restore the 50-75 feet used back to its original condition. Duke Energy will be running three-phase power to the back of SECU so when the OT Sloan building goes in we can draw power from that pole cutting our costs.

##### **C. Update Withers/Ravenel Master Planning for parks**

Met with representatives from W/R and the city on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> at KCP because the Greenway is supposed to cut into the park. Since we are going to redo the park we can bring the Greenway into the middle of the park so you have access to the different elements in there like the tennis courts or playground. Katelynn Vogt asked when construction on the Greenway would start. John Payne replied it is a month or two away from taking that to bid. LeVerne Kinney asked if the park would still be useable, John Payne replied we would have to work around that just like with KFP updates. LeVerne Kinney states that construction would be a big deterrent for park patrons. John Payne discussed with the County Manager and representative from W/R & the City about a better place for a tennis center would be that vacant lot as you go into JR Ingram Elementary School.

## **V. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Discussion of Schedule of Fees and Charge**

No increase

### **B. Discussion of Lett Family Park in Broadway**

We now have a new building over at Lett Family Park that we will be renting out John Payne recommends \$150.00 up to 4 hours and \$25 each additional hour over 4 hours. It is over 4000 sq. ft. Operating hours are 8am-11pm. Cameron Sharpe asked about the Tiny Tots program. John stated that Tiny Tots would move to the LFP Building in the fall, which would save us rent. Katelynn Vogt motioned to approve the fee structure Chad Spivey seconded all in favor unanimous.

### **C. Discussion Regarding Lighting at the Dog Park**

We had a request for some additional light at the dog park. Solar or automatic lights and the person making the request would pay for them. Talking with general services and the county manager, we're not too keen on it. Parks are open from dawn to dusk the only three thing lite are ball fields, tennis courts and the walking trail. Maybe check with consultant to look into it.

### **D. Discussion of Proposed Parks & Recreation Budget 2018-2019**

Put in for a full time position, an assistant for Ranger Steve at \$15 per/hr. Salaries are down due to two people leaving/retirement. Upped professional services some for laser grade 4 of the ballfields. Put some money in there for quarterly inspections of the bird pens. Rent on the gymnastics building will be going up 3.8% increase next year, now we are paying \$37,080 a year with the increase it will be \$39,500. We pay the town of Broadway \$800 a year for the Tiny Tots building. Net to the County our budget is down \$141,000 Katelyn asked if any of that would go to maintenance, John Payne discussed how maintenance worked.

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS-**

None

**VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT-**

Still registering various programs. Jaime Osborne had 14 in intersession camp today, check on them and they were having a good time. Cameron Sharpe asked were camp took place John Payne replied SLP. Cameron then asked what the cost was John replied \$115.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Katelynn Vogt motioned to adjourn at 6:14pm Greg Crowson seconded all in favor unanimous.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Chairman  
Lee County Parks & Recreation Commission

  
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Judith Wilson, Secretary