



**Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2012 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Council Chambers**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Adams, Peter Koutroumpis, Ken Henke, Wanda Holloway, Kari McCloud, Marty Buckwald, Cheri Lee

ABSENT MEMBERS: Monica Fanjoy, Stephane Daniel, Winston Shade, Linda Hunt-Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Len Bradley, Landon Carroll

CALL TO ORDER: Peter called the meeting to order

APPROVAL OF 4/12/12 MINUTES: Minutes approved with one correction. Kevin had made a motion to recommend the one cent proposal with a second from Marty. The vote was actually four in favor and two opposed. The minutes had been written three in favor and three opposed.

Ken Henke- Asked to address the board: Ken expressed disappointment in how the advisory board had voted in their recommendation to town council regarding the bond. He felt like the discussion changed over time from trying to complete the projects without a tax increase to moving forward right away with a tax increase. Ken announced his resignation from the board. Peter expressed that the board was just a non-voting advisory board and that the town council drove the bus for the town. The town council matters most because they decide. Ken expressed that he was for the bond but felt like there is now distrust in the board over how the potential tax increases with the bond were presented. Ken felt that no one was being misleading but that they forgot what was originally being discussed last fall. He also talked about being privy to information from town staff that he felt was not honest. Len asked what information that he was privy to. Ken felt like the town staff that he spoke with might not have given the full information about what debt was coming off the books.

Council action for open positions: Marty has been reappointed for another three year term on the board. Applications will be accepted through July 2nd for the two vacant board positions. Town council will appoint the two new board members in July.

Recognition of Monica Fanjoy: The board wanted to recognize Monica for seven years of service.

Officer Elections: The board accepted nominations for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Marty nominated Peter for Chair, Kevin for Vice Chair, and Kari for Secretary. Kevin second Peter for chair. Peter second Kevin for chair. Wanda second Kari for secretary. The board voted and all were in favor.

2012-2013 Budget: Len gave a brief presentation on the 2012-13 budget. The town council will meet on the 29th at 12pm to vote on the budget. A few budget highlights include:

- A new customer service position at Bass Lake Park and at the WE Hunt Recreation Center.
- A new senior bus.
- Projected budget around \$3.5 million with projected revenues around 1.2 million.
- The department should reach \$1 million in revenue this current budget year for the first time ever. The department generates twice the revenue of any town in Wake County outside of Cary and Raleigh.

Other Items: Peter asked about the planning process with the bond in regards to ideas that the public have brought forward. Len advised that most feedback from the public have already been included in the bond plans. Cheri encouraged the board to attend workshops and information sessions. Peter asked that the council recognize the valuable board to use them for meeting times and open forums. Wanda

brought up that she would like the board to refocus more on advising the citizens and taking their recommendations. Kari brought up using the facebook page more for this and also car magnet/sticker advertising for the department to promote healthy living. Len applauded the current board for the job they are currently doing.

ADJOURN: There being no further items for discussion the meeting was adjourned.