



**Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2012 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Council Chambers**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Adams, Wanda Holloway, Winston Shade, Linda Hunt-Williams, Stephane Daniel, Kari McCloud, Jennifer Jones, Ray Riordan

ABSENT MEMBERS: Peter Koutroumpis, Marty Buckwald

STAFF PRESENT: Julia Meder, Len Bradley

CALL TO ORDER: Kevin called the meeting to order

APPROVAL OF 8/9/12 MINUTES: Minutes approved.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS RAY AND JENNIFER: Members introduced themselves to the new members, Jennifer Jones and Ray Riordan. Peter welcomed Jennifer and Ray and explained to them the role of a board member.

PROJECTS UPDATE FROM LEN: Len shared with the board that the department has hired consultants for several bond projects. The consultants will work on the greenways project, completion of Jones park and Womble park, and the North Main Athletic Complex (NMAC). The greenways project will complete connectivity between Bass Lake, Womble park and several other areas. The Womble park project will include lighted turf athletic fields, a walking trail and expanded parking. Jones park will see completion with a disc golf course, picnic shelter and a field house.

The department is currently working on another acquisition project. October looks to be a big month for announcements from the department. Peter asked Len to explain the use of master plans in the future for new projects. Len explained that there will be several new master plans in the near future and that public input will be needed and requested. When the department acquires land, consultants will be contracted and the master planning process will begin.

Ray asked about the tennis courts at Womble park. Earlier in the meeting, Len stated that tennis courts may not be added to Womble park. Len explained that should the courts be added at the NMAC, courts would not be needed at Womble. Ray also asked about the timeline for the addition of the disc golf course at Jones park. Len stated that Jones park, Womble park, and the greenway project are all slated to be complete by fall 2013.

Peter asked if the Town would provide a timeline with status updates for projects and master plans. Len explained that there will be a status update page available on the Town's website.

IRONMAN EVENT INFO: At the August meeting, Stephane mentioned that the Ironman event would be coming through Holly Springs. Len is currently working with the Raleigh Convention and Visitor's bureau to see if the Town can assist with the event in any way by providing volunteers, etc.

OTHER ITEMS: Kari asked if there is any need for volunteers at any upcoming events in October. The department has four events in October, Bass Lake Day, the Holly Springs 4 at 4 race, Dog Days in the Park and Hollyfest. Board members were asked to contact Julia if they have an interest in volunteering. Len shared with the board a list of revenues for the department. Council member Cheri Lee requested this information and Len shared the information that he provided to her. Kevin asked about the high number of ticket sales at the Cultural Center. Len shared that the Cultural Center saw \$14,000 in ticket sales the first day that the Great Performance Series tickets were released.

Council member Linda Hunt-Williams asked Len if a grand opening of the Hunt Center had taken place. Len explained that several Hunt Center projects are planned for completion. Once these projects are complete, a dedication ceremony will be planned. Len also shared that the new Bass Lake picnic shelter has opened and is available for rent.

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