



**Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2017 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Council Chambers**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: LeeAnn Plumber, Alice Reese, Tom Joyce, Gerry Martinez De Antino, Kevin Adams, Wanda Holloway

ABSENT MEMBERS: Liz Sone, Ken Cicora, Mark DiGiacomo

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Cheri Lee

STAFF PRESENT: Len Bradley, Adam Huffman, Lauren Martin

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Joyce called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve: LeeAnn Plumber; Second: Tom Joyce; Vote: Unanimous; Meeting minutes approved with no corrections.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

IV. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Current members and Parks and Recreation staff welcomed new member Gerry Martinez De Antino.

V. NO MEETING IN AUGUST:

The Committee agreed to cancel the August meeting.

VI. EFFORTS, IF ANY, TO RENT OUT THE BEER GARDEN FOR PRIVATE EVENTS:

Assistant Director Adam Huffman explained that if you rent the beer garden you have to rent the stadium as well.

VII. PARKS AND RECREATION POLICY UPDATES:

Parks and Recreation staff has updated the policy. The updated policy will go to Town Council for approval.

VIII. SOUND STUDIES FOR NMAC, IMPACT ON SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS:

A new sound system has been installed at NMAC with the speakers now on the canopy instead of the scoreboard. The new system is working better to keep the sound in the stadium.

IX. UPDATE ON PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

Bass Lake-The Wednesday morning Police Fishing Program has returned for the summer. Children may fish at Bass Lake with members of the Holly Springs Police Department at 9:00am. This program was both successful and popular last year.

Cultural Center- The 17-18 Great Performance series tickets go on sale Friday July 28.

Hunt Center- There are four new treadmills and a gauntlet in the fitness center.

North Main Athletic Complex-The All-Star event was a big success as well as Barcelona Summer Camp. A new tennis pro has been hired which will allow the current programming to expand.

Parks and Recreation Events- The July 5th event was a success. The first set of parachute jumpers went off as scheduled. The second set of jumpers were cancelled due to weather. Fireworks began early to beat the storm. There was an estimated 1,100 parked cars and 10,000 people in attendance. One of the vendors; Mr. Softy stayed and continued to do well even after the fireworks ended serving those waiting to leave the park and turning the waiting period into an extended opportunity to visit neighbors and enjoy the night.

New Hurrahs are coming out soon.

The tennis courts at the high school will be re-finished this fall.

X. TOPIC FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING:

Committee members would like to schedule a date to train new members as well as show them the new parks in Holly Springs.

TING Park will be official when the gateway sign is completed.

Committee member Kevin Adams will not be at the September meeting. He has requested to have Kathleen Herbert, the Cultural Center manager, at the October meeting to further discuss the Great Performance Series. Kevin has also requested to review the master plan for Mims Property at the October meeting.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS:

A new pocket park is being built downtown as an effort of the Planning Department to temporarily dress up the area.

Committee members committed on how nice and professional the All-Star game was. The Cameraman said it was a good set up.

Staff is working on putting water fountains at NMAC near the basketball area.

XII. ADJOURN:

There being no further items for discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Action:

Motion:

Second:

Vote: Unanimous