



**Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2017 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Council Chambers**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: LeeAnn Plumber, Alice Reese, Tom Joyce, Gerry Martinez De Antino, Wanda Holloway, Mark DiGiacomo, Liz Stone, Ken Cicora

ABSENT MEMBERS: Kevin Adams

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Cheri Lee

STAFF PRESENT: Len Bradley, Adam Huffman, Lauren Martin

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Stone called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

None

IV. REQUEST FOR DISANCE MARKERS FOR SIDEWALK LOOP AT TING:

The walking path distances have been measured and Parks and Recreation staff plan to place markers. Research is being conducted on signage to use to post distances. Staff would like to use signage that corresponds with park amenities vs. low quality markers that serve a purpose but could detract from aesthetics.

V. THE USE OF TENNIS COURTS AT TING FOR NON-TENNIS ACTIVITIES:

The signs at tennis courts should state tennis activity only. There is one sign for pickle ball. In response to inquiries from Chair Stone regarding teen use of courts for soccer & lacrosse, Assistant Director Adam Huffman Stated that nets have been damaged. The field supervisors should be supervising the tennis courts. Staff is optimistic that the addition of the Tennis Pro and the increased tennis program activities will decrease the mis-use of the courts. Tennis courts at Holly Springs High School, Womble and TING can be reserved for \$3.00/hr. In the future, reservations can be made online.

VI. SOCCER PRACTICE SCHEDULING FOR YOUNGEST PLAYERS:

Five-year-old players should only have two scheduled 7:00pm practices. Staff recognizes this hour can be late for the youngsters. The reasons for 7:00pm practices are coach availability and keeping children at same facility. Staff will lose coaches by eliminating the later practice. Scheduling more 6:00pm practices for the younger teams pushes 8U/10U over to Womble, which causes parents to complain more about practices at two different facilities than they do about the late practices. Possible solutions, younger teams share fields for practice or cut off registration.

VII. P & R UPDATES:

Sugg Farm: Beericana was Saturday, September 9. Dog Day in the Park is Saturday, September 16. HollyFest and Haunted Hayride are Saturday, October 28.

Sugg bathrooms are a work in progress. Staff is working to design restroom facility and working with Town Engineers to extend water and sewer to Sugg. The target date for project completion is April 2018.

Bass Lake: Bass Lake Pro Tournament is this weekend. Bass Lake Day is Saturday, October 14.

Bass Lake FEMA repairs: Plans are underway to move forward with necessary repairs to spend funding received from FEMA by April deadline.

Cultural Center: The Great Performance Series continues with comedian Mike Goodwin coming next month for the 7:00pm and 9:00 pm showing.

Hunt center: Basketball, softball and baseball started this week and football started last weekend.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

The new sound system has improved noise situation with Oak Hall residents without detracting from audience experience during Salamanders games.

The possibility of a water fountain at Ting has been requested. Staff is locating water lines now; however, a water fountain was not in the budget and may have to be installed in the future.

Thoughts of a community pool have not been seriously entertained due to the expense of a pool facility.

IX. SECURING A DATE FOR NEW MEMBER TRAINING:

Chair Stone will meet with the new members to choose a date after the meeting.

X. SCHEDULING A DATE FOR COMMITTEE TO TOUR TOWN P&R FACILITIES AND DISCUSS LOGISTICS:

Staff will secure a van and provide a driver should the committee wish to tour the park facilities. The committee needs to circulate a calendar to choose a date.

XI. ADJOURN:

There being no further items for discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Action:

Motion:

Second:

Vote: Unanimous