



High Point Parks & Recreation Commission Board Minutes of September 10, 2018

Present: Marshall Newsome, Gary Ollis, Jerry Archie, Bryon Stricklin, Don Scarborough, Gloria Halstead, Robert Davis

Absent: Brian Petty, Todd Nifong; Ed Price

Staff: Lee Tillery, Tracy Pegram, Eugene Coleman, Randy Little, Colten Marble, Adriene Heffner, Paige Mone, Julie Luecht, Caitlyn Jarrell, Nick Pastorino



Call to Order / Welcome

The regular meeting of the HPPR Commission was called to order at 5:32 p.m. on Monday, September 10. The Chair, Marshall Newsome, welcomed all to the meeting.

Approval of July 9, 2018 Minutes

Minutes from the July 9, 2018 meeting were presented for approval. Gary Ollis made a motion that the minutes from July 9, 2018 be accepted as read and Jerry Archie seconded. All were in favor of accepting the minutes and the motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business

Julie Luecht introduced Caitlen Jarrell, a summer intern from East Carolina University, who was recently hired as a Program Activity Leader at Deep River Recreation Center. Colten Marble introduced Nick Pastorino, an intern from UNCG who worked at the Oak Hollow Marina and Campground.

New Business

Lee Tillery introduced the McAdams team who then discussed the Master Plan draft recommendations. Recommendations were discussed for parklands, facilities, programming, operations and maintenance, and finance. Some of the key demographic findings were that the population of the city is growing at a 1% rate and it is aging. The community is supportive of greenways and natural trails, expanding and improving the senior center, adding more community-wide events and concerts, and improving communications about programs.

Questions and Comments

Marshall Newsome asked about the new High Point Multi-Use Stadium and how it factors into everything. Lee Tillery responded that the stadium and downtown economic development will be addressed later.

Lee Tillery commented that the baby boomers are aging, people are living longer and staying active later in life. He suggested that future development should take this into consideration.

Bryon Stricklin commented that we must not forget about our youth who will be adults and have buying power in ten years.

Staff Reports

Director's Report: Lee Tillery reminded everyone to read the email attachments describing the economic impact of parks and recreation and what it brings to the city of High Point. He also stated that he, along with Tracy Pegram, walked the new Greenway Connector and that the construction was on schedule with an expected Grand Opening date in April 2019.

At the end of the staff report, and with no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next High Point Parks & Recreation Commission Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the P&R Administration Office, 136 Northpoint Avenue.

Submitted by: Adriene Heffner | Reviewed by: Tracy Pegram | Approved by: Lee Tillery