



**High Point Parks & Recreation Commission Board
Minutes of December 12, 2022**

Present: Lauren Britton, Robert Davis, Jennifer Mays, Marshall Newsome, Derek Pegram, Monica Peters

Absent: Micholas Credle, Nathan Morelli, Bryon Stricklin

Staff: Lee Tillery, Tracy Pegram, Tyler Cole, Eugene Coleman, Colten Marble, Paige Moné, Jessi Heffner



Call to Order / Welcome

The regular meeting of the HPPR Commission Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2022. The Chair, Marshall Newsome, welcomed all to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 14, 2022 meeting were presented for approval. Robert Davis made a motion that the minutes be accepted, Jennifer Mays seconded. All were in favor of accepting the minutes and the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

The Department is working with WithersRavenel to develop a site plan for Festival Park. High Point University is establishing a Division 1 Women's Rowing program and wishes to use Festival Park for practices and rowing regattas. The park site plan will take into consideration our community partners, the Department's Uncle Sam Jam Festival, the John Coltrane Jazz Festival and the spring and fall rowing regattas. On Thursday, December 15 the Department will meet with stakeholders such as Visit High Point, the High Point Rowing Club, High Point University, John Coltrane festival organizers and other city department employees. WithersRavenel will have a public interest meeting during the January 9, 2023 High Point Parks & Recreation Commission meeting.

Questions and Comments

Marshall Newsome asked about the mooring system that would be implemented for the rowing course. Lee Tillery stated that the mooring system is a buoyed system that will go on the lake for regattas when needed. Lee stated that when not in use, the mooring system will be stored in the shared use boathouse building.

The grand opening/ribbon cutting at the High Point City Lake Park Meeting & Event Center was held November 5. Finishing touches are now being made. Samet Corporation says that construction is estimated to be completed by the end of the year. The pool will be opened Memorial Day weekend in 2023. The Department held their annual WinterFest at City Lake Park on Saturday, December 10 and it was a success. The Piedmont Legacy Trails Summit will be held at the park on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Marshall thanked everyone for their attendance and invited everyone to stay for a holiday social. He adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next HPPR Commission Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the P&R Administration Office, 136 Northpoint Avenue.

Submitted by: Jessi Heffner | Reviewed by: Tracy Pegram | Approved by: Tracy Pegram