

Joint Recreation Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, February 9, 2016  
Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Erica Abbott  
Quinton Rodgers  
Pam Giardiello  
Tim Hallman  
Lester Belk  
James R. Carson, III

Members Absent

Tiffany Whaley  
Gerald Vetter  
Beverly Caskey

Staff Present

Hal Hiott  
Katherine Walters

- I. Call to Order- Meeting was called to order by Lester Belk
- II. Approval of January 2016 Minutes – Pam Giardiello made motion to approve minutes. Second by Quinton Rodgers. All in Favor
- III. Public Comments -None
- IV. New Business
  - A. Resignation of Program Supervisor – Hal- Athletic Sports Supervisor, Jessica Banks, resigned; have already started process with advertising and it cut off last week, so we will be looking at those applications.
  - B. Registration Update on Spring Sports – finished sign-ups and need more kids in certain areas.
  - C. Kershaw Land Appraisal – Hal got appraisal back; the land 21.7 acres, \$68,000 on what it would sell for; town of Kershaw doesn't have any land to swap. If you want to sell, that's about how much you would get. We could use that \$68,000 to put up a playground at the Rec Center, replace fencing at Mullinax.
    - Lester made motion that we should sell land to town of Kershaw at the recommended appraised value; funds to go back to recreation for future improvements. Motion second by Quinton Rodgers. All in Favor.
  - D. LWCF Conversion Information-
    - Hal- been doing research on parks that were established with LWCF monies and since its federal money, our hands are tied in regards to converting or closing those pocket parks.
    - Five or six properties that the lease has ran out, we don't have to maintain those anymore. We will keep maintaining the ones that we use.
    - On the small parks you have to do a conversion, meaning they can only be converted to new purchased/donate property. Can't convert to an existing park. Pam asked Hal can you send this to Commissioner's in an email.
  - E. Summary of Clemson Study Presented at January 25 Council Meeting-
    - Hal –Clemson presented the study to County Council and they seemed to be supportive.
    - Only way it's going to get funded is through a hospitality tax
    - It will be up for discussion at the administrative committee this Thursday, February 11, 2016.
    - Will be one to a year and a half before we see any results
    - Lester asked that Hal keep the Commission updated on any changes or new information.
  - F. Potential Hospitality Tax Information –

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G. Westmoreland Park Issues-

- Westmoreland Park is in Forest Hills and where the governor used to live.
- It's in the flood plain and it has flooded about 5 times in the past several months.
- People don't know its back there, every time it floods it washes out all safety surfacing mulch.
- Met with the city and the friends of Wylie Park and they are in support of moving playground equipment from Westmoreland to John D. Wylie Park

Tim Hallman made motion to move the equipment from Westmoreland to John D. Wylie Park. Second by Erica Abbott. All In Favor.

V. Old Business

- A. Swim Team/Pool Update- Katherine- went to first Metrolina Swim League meeting and they welcomed us right in; I think this will be a good fit for LCPR swim team as it is similar to how we have been structured in the past; only change now is that we will need to come up with a different mascot as another team is the sharks; Does anyone have any suggestions?
- Erica- suggested going back to the committee we formed back in the fall and ask for their vote.
- B. Budget Update- Hal – turned in budget but did have to amend the budget and take out \$10,000 since we lost one of the churches at Indian Land Recreation Center; continuing to work with the budget and save money.
- C. PARD Grant Update. Bucklelew Project and New Application – Hal -Bucklelew project is finished; approved today for project at Buford with PARD.
- D. Fall Sports Update – Hal- finishing up basketball, play-offs next week; All-Star meeting, Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have an adult basketball league.
- E. Equipment Purchase Update on Items Stolen – Hal- finally got check for stolen equipment; already got 3 new mowers; security system is up

VI. Commissioner's Comments –

- Pam Giardiello – mini grant with Lancaster Community Grant of \$1, 000 that may can be used so I will plan to meet with Mike.
- James R. Carson, III – asked if LCPR has considered tournaments for Walnut Creek Park. Hal- we will schedule those after our leagues are scheduled.

VII. Director's Comments –

- Hal – asked Pam Giardiello if she heard anything about Disc Golf; she will talk with Kathy Sullivan about it.
- Hal- thanked Erica for standing up for our staff at the County Council meeting.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by James R. Carson, III. Second by Erica Abbott

Respectively Submitted by:

Katherine Walters, Assistant Director