



**The Town of Clayton
Recreation Advisory Board Agenda
Monday, March 13, 2017 @ 7:00 PM
Clayton Community Center**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.
 - Draft Minutes - November 14, 2016 Meeting
 - Draft Minutes - February 13, 2017 Meeting

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POTENTIAL ACTION: Approval of Minutes

3. NEW BUSINESS

Presenter: Larry Bailey, Parks & Recreation Director

- a. Connect NC Bond Grant
- b. July 4th Celebration
 - Committees
 - Sponsorship
 - Volunteers

4. OLD BUSINESS

Presenter: Larry Bailey, Parks & Recreation Director

- a. Disc Golf Course Progress
- b. River Walk Trail Disruptions
- c. Johnston County Senior Games Volunteers
- d. Special Needs Dance
- e. Universal Playground Fundraising Update
- f. Program Update

5. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

6. ADJOURN

Clayton Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 2016

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Clayton Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:03pm on 11/14/2016 at the Clayton Community Center in the conference room.

Present: Rebecca Bradford, Butch Lawter, Dean Penny, Jackie Rose, Ted Willer, Toby Williamson, Marty Kornegay, Wanda Bowman and Larry Bailey.

A. News and Updates:

Larry opened the meeting and a motion was by Jackie Rose and a seconded motion by Toby Williamson to approve the Recreation Advisory Board 2017 meeting schedule, the only change will be for the September meeting, new meeting date will be September 18.

Larry gave a bond update; there were concerns with multiple things with what projects need to be completed. Several projects were submitted to the council for the council retreat. Phase developments will have to be submitted because the projects will not be able to completed all at once. Butch commented that with all the other street projects and infrastructure projects with other departments that only ten-twelve million dollars would be available. The money will not be available; a bond will be looked at for next year, 2018.

Larry updated the board on the hurricane damage on the greenway bridge. The existing bridge that was damaged was a developer built bridge, which was significantly a cheaper built than what is built now that is engineered built bridge. Engineered built bridges are well over hundred thousand dollars. Currently the trail at Sam's Branch is closed due to construction with the lift station that is at the area of the art exhibit, however you can still park at Sam's Branch and go about a mile down. Covered Bridge part of the is open to pedestrian bridge going towards Sam's Branch and the other way towards the Wake County line is closed right before the Riverwood area with that bridge being out. If anyone would like to go to the Wake County part of the trail should start at the Mial Plantation Trailhead. Larry also mentioned there was some part of the trail was washed away at East Clayton Community Park and that has been repaired with adding more screen gravel to the trail.

Larry stated that the 70 Basketball teams has started for the Winter Season. Halloween Funride and Halloween Parade was a success, thank you Ted and Rebecca for your help. Santa Calls will be placed on December 13 and 14th and the Santa's Workshop; 10:00am-12:00pm will be December 10th.

The basketball gym will be closed the week of November 21-27 for the floor to be refinished. If anyone knows of a volunteer group, the community garden need some help with repairing and getting the garden beds ready for the spring. We have four Eagle Scout projects going on; handicap accessible garden beds, a couple of compost bins and a backstop at the baseball field at Legend Park.

Ted Willer is currently acting as Vice-chair and will serve as chair, Rebecca Bradford will serve as Vice-chair for 2017, and it was motioned by Dean Penny and with a second motion by Jackie Rose. The December meeting will take place December 6 instead of the 5th with a holiday social to thank you to our Board members.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm. The next meeting will be held January 9 at 7:00pm in the conference room at Clayton Community Center.

Minutes submitted by: Wanda Bowman



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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marty Kornegay
Richard Champion
Emily Beddingfield
Skip Browder
Rebecca Bradford

STAFF PRESENT:

Larry Bailey, Parks & Recreation Director
Council Member Butch Lawter
Christy Anastasi, Clerk to the Board

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sally Schlindwein
Ruth Hunt
Travis Crowder
Dean Penny
Karen Phinazee
Toby Williamson
Theodore Willer

1 CALL TO ORDER

- a) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. A quorum was not present. Due to a quorum not being present no action was taken.

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Draft Minutes - November 14, 2016 Meeting

3 NEW BUSINESS

- a) Introduction of New Members
Presenter: Larry Bailey, Parks and Recreation Director

Mr. Bailey welcomed all the new members and thanked everyone for being part of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Mr. Bailey provided some history of the Parks and Recreation Department. Occasionally there will be items that will need to be discussed and approved before moving on to the Town Council. There will be many opportunities to volunteer at many of the events and programs. Each individual can decide at what level of involvement he or she would like to have.

4 OLD BUSINESS

a) Program Update

Mr. Bailey provided an update about the summer 2017 program and guide book. This guide will be in effect until August of 2017 and then a fall/winter book will come out. Currently three area school gyms are being used on Saturdays as well as the recreation center to accommodate the needs of the programs. The long range plan is to add a double gym.

Mr. Bailey provided an update on the Johnston County Senior Games, which run from March 22 - April 7, 2017. In order to participate you must be 50 years or older and be a resident of Johnston County for three consecutive months. Mr. Bailey went over several events included in the more than 30 events offered at the senior games.

b) Disc Golf Course Progress/Update

Mr. Bailey provided an update on disc golf. Currently the course is in the process of being designed to include a total of 18 holes. The course will include a future mountain to sea trail access. Mr. Bailey stated a disc golf course is designed to utilize the terrain with minimal clearing of trees and land. Most of what is removed is the undergrowth to create different fairways. The plan is to have the clearing complete by spring. Once the clearing is complete then sponsorships will then begin to defray the cost.

c) Universal Playground Fundraising Update

Mr. Bailey provided an update on the Universal Playground. A universal playground is designed for children with special needs and will also have traditional playground equipment as well. Water and sand features will be included. The total funding needed is between \$600,000 - \$700,000. The playground fundraising will run through the foundation, which is a 501(c)3, and not through the Town. The Town will provide the location, maintenance and up keep. A fund raising golf tournament will be held on May 5, 2017. There was discussion about how the universal playground will be not only for the children but for the care giver as well.

Mr. Bailey provided an update on upcoming program. The Playground Camp is expecting 150 children between June 12- June 18. A teen camp will also be offered. On May 13, 2017 the road race will be held from 9:00am - 11:30 am. Mr. Bailey stated volunteers will be needed for this event. The volunteering will consist of checking people in, providing numbers to runners and providing tee-shirts to runners. On March 17, 2017 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM the special needs dance will be held at the community center. There are 75 - 125 people expected for this event. Mr. Bailey stated volunteers will be needed for this event to assist with refreshments. Suggestion was made to have a local dance studio come out and teach some hula dancing during the event. An update was provided on the Community Garden. Gardening classes are ten week sessions and are held three times per year. The seedlings are being planted for the community garden and for the plant sale beginning in April 2017. More than 5700 pounds of food was generated by the community garden and was given to

back to the community through Clayton Area Ministries.

5 STAFF REPORTS

a)

Mr. Bailey provided an update on two closures on the trails. Mr. Bailey stated there is still a bridge out due to the hurricane. The damaged bridge has not yet been replaced. The plan is to have the bridge replaced by an engineered bridge. An engineering firm has stated the cost is estimated at \$200,000. The Town is working with FEMA to be able to help with the cost. Currently there is no time table as to when the bridge will be replaced. As soon as FEMA gives the go ahead then replacement of the bridge will begin. Mr. Bailey stated the second area of the trail that is closed is the lift station at Sam's Branch. The lift station is being doubled in size. This project began in September and was to be a 60 day project, however, the hurricane came and washed away all of the work that had been accomplished. The lift station project work has started again.

6 COMMITTEE COMMENTS

a)

There was discussion about communication with the public and making the public aware of the trails as well as all of the programs the community center has to offer. One way to communicate with the public is the Main Street Parade. This is a way to introduce Downtown Clayton and to show what all Clayton has to offer. Mr. Bailey stated if any of the board members have any suggestions to please feel free to share during these meetings.

7 ADJOURN

a) Adjourn Meeting

With there being nothing further, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 P.M.

Motion: Board Member Bradford
Second: Board Member Kornegay
Vote: Unanimous

Theodore Willer, Chair

ATTEST:

Christy Anastasi, Clerk to the Board