

Lake Lure Parks & Recreation Board Meeting February 5, 2015 Minutes

<u>Call to Order</u> Chairman Jim Walters called to order the regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board at 1:34pm.

Roll Call Board Members present: Jim Walters Ed Dittmer Jessica Kendall Linda Turner Vic Knight Martyn Watts

Board Members absent: Larry Czajkoski

Town Officials present: Parks & Recreation Supervisor Melodie Potter Town Council Liaison Diane Barrett

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

The agenda for the February 5, 2015 Board meeting was reviewed. A motion was made to accept the Agenda by Linda Turner and seconded by Ed Dittmer and all were in favor.

The minutes for the January 8, 2015 Board Meeting were reviewed. Linda Turner pointed out that there was a change to the meeting minutes, a spelling error in the Status of Buffalo Creek section the 4th sentence change natured to nature. In addition, the second sentence states there is no funding for Phase II, however that is incorrect we do have \$200,000 funding. In addition, Jim Walters was to contact Dean Gibbons not Larry Czajkoski. A motion to accept the minutes with the noted changes were made by Linda Turner and seconded by Ed Dittmer and all were in favor.



STATUS OF BUFFALO CREEK PARK

Ed Dittmer reported that we are waiting approval for permits and a schedule for completion for Phase II. He also commented that the phase II is not an easy trail due to the land and the route. Martyn and Linda agreed that Jim should speak with Chris Braund regarding the width of the trail and the expenditures given the trail is going to be narrower than Phase I. Chris Braund joined the meeting and took time to explain the different types of trails and why the cost of the Phase II trail is the same as Phase I even though the trail is narrower. It stems from the fact that it is a Type III trail, harder to get to with equipment and much rougher terrain. Phase II will be more difficult for hikers and bikers alike. We are still in the design phase and hope to submit the final design in the next few weeks. Chris also stated that our mission is to lay a good flag line, get estimates on the cost from multiple vendors and get as close to Eagle Rock as possible with the funding. Chris also stated that the main trail is doing very well over the winter. Some of the difficulties we experienced with the trail in the summer have healed themselves, the trail is firm and staying nicely.

DEVELOPMENT OF POOL CREEK PARK

Jim Walters is working with Dean Givens and Clint, they attended the Lake Advisory Board meeting to discuss the dock situation and the possibility of replacing the docks. The Advisory Board was in agreement that the old dock needed to be removed and a new dock with 2 piers needed to be installed. There was discussion about the location of the new dock and having flexibility of relocating the new dock once the Master Plan has been put in place. The Board agreed that the existing walkway needs to come out by Public Works. We have a preliminary design by Marathon Builders which is under \$10,000. Our next step is to meet with an architect to get a more detailed design, which Jim Walters will be doing. The group also discussed the location of our new docks, the size of the docks and who would be responsible for pulling the old docks. The board agreed that Public Works should do as much of the removal work as possible.

TOWN CENTER WALKWAY

The DOT has not released their hold on the right-of-way yet. However, the State of NC has asked Mr. Moore and his attorney to meet. A date for said meeting has not been set yet.

MORSE PARK BANK STABALIZATION

Melodie Potter reported there are 4 different ways to stabilize the bank ranging in cost from \$16,000 to \$1,500. The recommended way is to get a dozer and push the soil up the bank, use landscape wrap and riprap to stabilize the soil. Melodie's next step is to go to City Council for additional funding. There are 301 feet of bank that need work. The solution for now is to pull back the dirt, lay landscape fabric and seed it which will cost approximately \$1,600 and that will come from Melodie's budget.

LLCA GROUND CLEARING DON ROSS PARK

The trees have been cleared and the hills have been carved away for the school, roads, parking and the all-purpose field. They are still working on grading the area, weather permitting. Foundation will be laid once the weather is warmer. The gym still has not been funded and they are working on getting that funding. The picnic shelter was moved to the rear end of the first meadow where the trails intersect. Mulch will be put under the picnic tables. They pulled the sewer line away from the school grounds across the meadow under Hwy 9 and connected it to Ingles sewer. We still need to get Dana to put in new trails, the school has indicated that they will have some volunteers to help flag the new trail. We need to move 2 tables out, Melodie is working on that. There was some concern because the



meadow area is now all red dirt, however, Ed indicated that the contractor will return to re-grade and seed that area so it returns to the condition it was in originally.

STATUS OF MORSE PARK PUNCH LIST

They are putting soil in low places between the parking area and river, getting ready to mulch, cut grass and clean up the park. The new maples are going in by the picnic area – 4 new trees. There was a question as to whether or not we were able to shoot a line for drainage. We were not, but Vic volunteered to assist Melodie with this task.

Jim will be writing an article and will be submitting it to Valerie for the newsletter.

Jim Walters adjourned the meeting at 3:10pm.

Minutes were taken by Jessica Kendall.

The next Parks & Recreation Board meeting will be March 5th at 1:30pm.

