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## ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

September 16, 2024 5:30 PM

#### MINUTES

In attendance were Eva Hansen, Mandy Giust, Nate Webster, Mark Tongen, David Hyder, Trey Peterson

Absent: Landen Stevenson, Megan Hauser

Luke Kinsland, Director, staffed the meeting.

Call to Order: Eva called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Eva welcomed members

August 2024 minutes were approved.

### Old Business:

- East Street Park improvement is progressing. Tuscola High School will be building a retaining wall at the corner of the pavilion. Materials provided by volunteers.
- Armory Ceiling Repair: Construction is continuing and continuing. A budget amendment will need to be made for the building repairs and maintenance line items.
- Cardio equipment replacement is in progress and will be done in the next few weeks.
- New WI-FI access points are being installed in the recreation center upstairs. In the next few weeks, A/V equipment and projectors will be installed in the multipurpose rooms.
- Tennis courts have been resurfaced and have a great look. All members agreed that the courts were done right.
- The contractor for the new greenway trail on Richland Creek as part of the PARTF grant has been disappointing to work with. The paving job was done incorrectly and unsightly. Luek will continue to address this with the contractor and a plan moving forward.
- Celebration and Fundraising re: 25<sup>th</sup> Rec Center Anniversary 12/25. Fundraiser Planning & Event Chair, Mandy, reviewed the plan documents distributed to the members. The plan will now involve assigning volunteers and staff to various committees. Donors from bigger organizations will be sought after. Sponsorship forms will need to be created to get donations and raise funds.

### New Business:

Director's Report: Luke reported that the employee morale survey results data was challenging to comprehend. No department in the Town faired any better than the other. Employee trust is down. A presentation will be made at the next council meeting from the UNC School of Government to the Council for a better understanding of these results. Luke also listed the dates of maintenance week that the recreation center will be closed and the various projects that will take place.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm

Chair's signature: Eva Hansen

Respectfully Submitted, Eva Hansen, Chairman