

ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

April 9, 2013 5:30 PM

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 pm.

In attendance were: Ginny Boyer, Lee Starnes, Sarah Massie, Rhonda Schandevel, Don Frady, Kenny Mull, and Rhett Langston. Michelle Claytor, Scotty Schulhofer, and Wallace Messer were unable to attend.

There no minutes from the March 2013 meeting due to not having a quorum.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- The monthly report from March was reviewed.
- A total of seven people came to the meeting to express their views about the changes made at the dog park. They stated that the mulch had glass, sharp sticks, bacteria and some places too thin with mulch and some places were too thick with mulch to walk. They all agreed that the middle fence should be put back in order to separate good dogs from bad dogs. They also did not like the cypress trees and that the trees would not give a lot of shade. They suggested a willow tree. The motion was made by the advisory commission to put the middle fence back. Lee made the motion and Sarah seconded it. All voted yes.
- It was voted on by the advisory commission to lower the hourly gym rate at the Old Armory from \$30 to \$25. This will take place on the first and third Saturday from 5 to 11 pm. Rhonda made the motion and Don seconded it.
- The issue of allowing citizens to make a profit in renting from the Waynesville Parks and Recreation Department was discussed. It was agreed to review each rental request on a case by case standard.
- We will have a pre-construction meeting for the skatepark on April 11.
- Rhett will be overseeing the restroom project at Recreation Park.
- As of today the Howell Mill Road Project will be bid out on June 18. The project may possibly begin in August.
- We received a grant in the amount of \$1,380 from the North Carolina Community Foundation. This brings our fundraising total to \$3,052 as of today.
- The "Family Fun Day" with the Waynesville Kiwanis will take place on May 11.
- The next two years will be tough budget years due to the Lake Junaluska merger and IT improvements.
- The town will be getting a new website soon that will include the fire, police and parks and recreation departments.
- We will now have a monthly program guide. We will also have special issues such as for the summer camps.
- Congratulations to Tim Petrea for having an outstanding spring break camp.
- Although we have made progressive strides in emergency preparations we still have much work to do such as the installation of security cameras.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Rhett Langston