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## **ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING**

April 20, 2017 5:30 PM

## **MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm.

In attendance were: Dan Schultz, Sarah Massie, Wallace Messer, Michelle Claytor, Lee Starnes, and Rhett Langston. Heath Sutton, Don Frady and Kenny Mull were unable to attend.

## New Business:

- The monthly report for March was reviewed.
- The Town of Waynesville will purchase 9 acres of land (owned by Scotty Schulhofer) across from the Waynesville Recreation Center on the other side of Richland Creek. The land will be used for greenways and possibly disc golf.
- Rhett reported that Sharon Woodrow, executive director of Haywood County Library, did receive the grant for the story board project at Vance Street Park.
- Rhett will meet with Byron Hickox (Town of Waynesville Planning Department) regarding placement of directional signage. These signs will be located on Vance Street. The new signs will be the same type of directional signs located on Main Street.
- We will move the starting time of the monthly advisory commission meeting to 12 noon in order to better accommodate everyone. We will
  also provide lunch. We will still meet on the third Wednesday of the month.
- Chestnut Park now has a sign and picnic tables. This was purchased by the Medford Grant. There will also be swings and grills at the park soon.
- We will have a public meeting on Friday, May 5, at 5 pm for the new Calvary Street Park.
- Rhett gave an update on the inclusive playground project—The Town of Waynesville was awarded the North Carolina Connect Bond Grant for \$90,300; The Town's matching portion will be \$22,575; Several members of the community have expressed an interest in locating the new inclusive playground beside the Kiwanis Community Playground in Recreation Park and expanding it to make it bigger than originally planned; The latest planning meeting including representatives from The Mountaineer, Smoky Mountain News, Haywood County Chamber of Commerce, Waynesville Kiwanis, The ARC, and Haywood County Schools; In order to acquire more funding we have also applied for the Scott Grant from the Waynesville Kiwanis and a grant from the Evergreen Foundation; A sub-committee was developed at the last meeting in order to create a needs list for the playground; As soon as this is developed we will then send it out on bids.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhett Langston

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