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## **ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING**

January 20, 2015 5:30 PM

## **MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm.

In attendance were: Michelle Claytor, Dan Schultz, Sarah Massie, Linda O'Neil, Wallace Messer, Lee Starnes, and Rhett Langston. Kenny Mull, Ginny Boyer, and Don Frady were unable to attend.

The December 2014 minutes were approved.

## Old Business:

None

## New Business:

- The monthly report for December was reviewed.
- Rhett explained the new evaluation process. Program surveys were accepted from October to December. Customer service surveys will be accepted from January to March. Surveys for parks will be accepted from April to June and then facilities from July to September. The process will then start over. To date we have received 91 customer service surveys. We had over 150 for programs.
- Rhett asked if everyone thought it was a good idea to have a portion of the greenway dedicated as a "Pet Memorium" and sell
  bricks to dedicated to someone's pet. Proceeds from the memorium could go towards flowers or other landscaping in the
  vicinity.
- We will review the current school safety information and implement it for our own safety manual. The current information is outdated.
- The 2015 Annual Guide and the January Program Guide has been published.
- Rhett explained the Waynesville Parks and Recreation Scoreboard and went over the results for this past quarter.
- Rhett reported that we have been receiving a lot of emails regarding the safety of our bus. We are going to save as much as we can for the rest of the fiscal year and hopefully find a used 20 to 25 passenger or 25 to 29 passenger bus.
- Rhett asked the advisory commission for discussion on a philosophy on finances. It was tabled to the next meeting.
- Rhett explained that the parks and recreation department will be applying for CAPRA (Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies for FY 17. This will be a very difficult task to achieve but will be very good for the public and the department if it is successful. To date only 140 agencies in the US have the accreditation. (only 8 in North Carolina).
- Lee Starnes reported that there will be a Civil War reenactment at Sulphur Springs Park on May 9 from 9:30 to 11 am.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Rhett Langston

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