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ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

**September 16, 2020
5:30 PM**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm.

In attendance were: Sarah Massie, Dan Schultz, Megan Houser, Wallace Messer, Sarah Massie, Eva Hansen, and Laura Turner. Wayne Finger, Lee Starnes, Nicole Kott, and Bill Skelton were unable to attend.

New Business:

- Rhett read the minutes from the August meeting.
- There is no monthly review due to the Old Armory being closed and only the pool open at the Waynesville Recreation Center due to the virus.
- Playgrounds and outdoor basketball courts are now open to the public. The Waynesville Recreation Center and Old Armory are now open as well but with restricted operating hours.
- We have started to offer some programs but it is limited due to the virus.
- The Waynesville Kiwanis will have the grand opening for the new portion of the playground and the new kiosk on either September 29 or 24 at 3:30 pm.
- The Development Department for the Town of Waynesville have applied for the North Carolina Recreation Trails Grant in the amount of \$250,000. This will be used for the bridge in Vance Street Park if awarded. We should find out in November if we get it.
- The playground at the park on Calvary Street is currently closed due to 2 pieces of equipment that arrived damaged. It will be replaced by September 26. Also, the park has yet to be named.
- We are experiencing criminal activity at Hazelwood Park. This includes drug activity, vandalism, and homeless people sleeping in the dugouts. We will be meeting with our camera company about the possibility of installing security cameras in the area.
- The pool will be closed for maintenance from October 4—11. We will try out the new dehumidification system at that time if it is ready.
- Phase 3 for the CAPRA process will be taking place in October.
- If anyone is interested in being the advisory commission chairperson please let Rhett know.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rhett Langston, Director

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