



ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

April 10, 2012
5:30 PM

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.

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

The minutes from the March 13, 2012, meeting were approved by Don Frady. Wallace Messer second it.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- The monthly report from March was reviewed.
- It was decided that it would be in the best interest and fair for all non-profits to pay the same rental rate for a shelter, multipurpose room, gym, cafeteria, etc.
- Alison Melnikova, assistant town manager, spoke to the advisory commission about the changes to the concealed weapons ordinance for parks. Currently, town ordinances prohibit the carrying of a concealed weapon on town property or into town buildings. In 2011, the General Assembly reviewed the state statutes that grant authority to local governments to prohibit weapons on their property, and decided changes were needed. Some of the changes made mean it is now legal to carry a concealed weapon at certain locally-owned parks and recreation facilities (Sulphur Springs Park, in the section south of Shelton Branch tributary, East Street Park, and along those parts of the Greenway that are not within the borders of a recreational facility (or accessible only by passing through a recreational facility).
- Ginny Boyer reported that the Sulphur Springs Gazebo was in need of repair and she thanked Rhett Langston and staff for completing the work by the beginning of April.
- The Town expects the construction costs for the new Recreation Park restrooms to be between \$105,000 and \$125,000. This includes remodeling the bathrooms, removing the old showers, and putting just some benches with curtains for changing spaces. The building will be heated, and the countertops and sink in the snack bar area replaced. It also includes a pitched roof being placed over the current flat roof.
- The Waynesville Recreation Center will need to have the metal portion of the roof (over the multipurpose rooms, aerobics and weight room) replaced in the near future. The current metal is rusting. It is estimated that the new roof will cost around \$50,000.
- Youth program report: We now offer a hip hop dance class for kids; the Easter Event with Lake Junaluska went very well; and we will offer a spring break camp the week of April 16—20.
- Aquatics report: Blake Jenkins is now the interim aquatic supervisor; we will have to purchase new buckets for the water park pool (estimated to cost \$5,000—which is the entire object.)
- Adult / Senior program report: We now have senior trips scheduled and we are offering 4 different types of arthritic classes.
- Athletic program report: Spring softball has now started.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rhett Langston

