

St. Andrew's Parish Parks & Playground Commission

Commission Meeting Minutes

June 26th, 2008

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Present: Jeff Gladwell, Mike Eykyn, Carol Etheridge, Kevin Walsh, Ron Koch, Frank Stefan, Lindsey Cooper

Call to Order: Mr. Gladwell called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mr. Gladwell led the Commission in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of the May 22nd, 2008 Commission Meeting Minutes: Mr. Eykyn made a motion to approve which was seconded by Ms. Etheridge. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the May 2008 Financial Reports and Summary Balance Sheet: Mr. Eykyn made a motion to approve which was seconded by Ms. Etheridge. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report: Mr. Walsh gave an All Star update: The 13U boys are going to the state tournament in Anderson, SC; 12U girls are playing at James Island; the 10U boys are playing each other and the winner will move on to play Mount Pleasant in an elimination game; the 11U baseball team is going to the state tournament in Aiken.

The Legislative Delegation meeting will be on June 20th at the Isle of Palms.

The Charleston United Soccer Club is considering dissolving in the next year. They would like West Ashley Youth Sports to administer the competitive soccer teams.

Deputy Director's Report: The wiring in the concessions stand has been finished along with the lights. The plumbing, phone line, and dry wall still need to be completed. The gentleman that was going to do the fence didn't work out. Mr. Jonas would like to do the fence project and can start after baseball tournaments have ended.

General Manager's Report: Mr. Stefan had nothing to add to his report.

Unfinished Business

Annexations: 2100 Savannah Hwy. (.5.15 acres), 1800 Greenmore Drive (.4acres), 304 Tall Oak Ave. (.17 acres), 1811 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. (.95 acres), empty lot on Bear Swamp (1484 acres)

St. Andrew's Park at Hunt Club: Mr. Koch met with Will Connor regarding the survey. He is identifying grand trees on the plat. Two trees in the drive area are potentially dangerous, so he is trying to get a permit to remove them. The property will be staked soon. The Nesters requested that the road be named "Nester Parkway" instead of "Nature Place" which was voted on at last months Commission meeting. Mr. Eykyn made a motion to change the name of the entrance

road to “Nester Parkway.” The motion was seconded by Ms. Etheridge. Motion carried unanimously.

Racquetball Court Floors: It was reported that the insurance company denied the claim to have the racquetball court floors replaced due to the water leak. Mr. Koch is working on a revenue bond to pay for their replacement. Mr. Cooper asked why the claim was denied and offered to look into the matter for the Commission.

Dogwood Park: The survey of the property has been completed. All trees over 24” are listed on the survey, along with all drainage ditches. The Child vs. Wild camp is doing an overnighter at the park tonight.

FY 2008-09 Budget: The budget was approved by County Council as presented on June 3, 2008.

New Business

Commission Policy Review:

Section 7, Policy 13: Child Protection – Ms. Etheridge made a motion to approve the policy which was seconded by Mr. Eykyn. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session: The Commission went into executive session to consult with our attorney on procedural matters at 7:38pm and returned at 7:40pm.

Election of Officers: The gavel was turned over to Mr. Walsh to conduct the election of officers. Mr. Gladwell nominated Mike Eykyn for Chair which was seconded by Ms. Etheridge. Ms. Etheridge made a motion to close nominations for Chair which was seconded by Mr. Eykyn and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gladwell nominated Ron Bailey for Vice Chair, which was seconded by Mr. Eykyn. Mr. Gladwell made a motion to close nominations for Vice Chair, second from Ms. Etheridge and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gladwell nominated John Johnston for Secretary which was seconded by Mr. Eykyn. Ms. Etheridge made a motion to close nominations for Secretary. Second from Mr. Gladwell and approved unanimously.

Ms. Etheridge made a motion to approve the slate of officers which were nominated. Second from Mr. Gladwell. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gladwell stated that his time of service on the Commission have been enjoyable and educational. The Playground has come a long way in the past 10 to 15 years. He appreciates the hard work from staff and the opportunity to serve on the Commission.

The Commission adjourned unanimously at 7:50pm.