

St. Andrew's Parish Parks & Playground Commission

Meeting Minutes – June 30th, 2009
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Present: Mike Eykyn, Ron, Bailey, John Johnston, Carol Etheridge, Kevin Walsh, Ron Koch, Frank Stefan

Call to Order: Mr. Eykyn called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

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

Approval of the May 28th, 2009 Minutes: Mr. Johnston made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the May Financial Reports and Summary Balance Sheet: Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve, which was seconded by Mr. Johnston. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report: Mr. Walsh reported that four of the eight all star teams are still playing in state and regional tournaments. Teams will be headed to Alabama, Tennessee, Gaffney and North Augusta. He also distributed a report on the top ten calls to action that was put together at the Summit on the Value of Play, which was held at Clemson University. Mr. Walsh also stated that there were a number of incidences which took place at St. Andrew's Parks and Playground while he was at the Summit. Two campers were asked not to return due to disciplinary reasons, and the police had to be called due to parents arguing on the new playground. Finally, Mr. Walsh reported that a Family Fitness Plus bank deposit from June 12, 2009 is missing \$200 in cash. An investigation has been launched.

Deputy Director's Report: Mr. Koch stated that the new standards for NRPA National Accreditation came out and he is working to complete them by the end of November. He also stated he is working on a committee with the Charleston County School Board on developing a curriculum for a school based learn to swim program. He is also on a committee with County Council member Colleen Condon to offer more senior programs in West Ashley.

General Manager's Report: Mr. Stefan reported that he has purchased new furniture for the coffee area with the equipment loan at St. Andrew's Family Fitness Plus.

Department Proposals

Racquetball Tournament: Low Country Racquetball has requested to host a racquetball tournament at St. Andrew's Family Fitness Plus July 31 – August 2nd. The facility would be open two hours later on that Friday, three hours later on Saturday, and open five hours early on Sunday. Mr. Johnston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Annexations: 1945 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. (1.18 acres). Mr. Walsh also reported that we have received over \$100,000 from the City for annexation reimbursement this fiscal year, which is not reflected in our revenue accounts.

St. Andrew's Park at Hunt Club: Mr. Nestor has signed off on the corrected plat and it has been filed with the County Planning Department. A Letter of Coordination from SCDOT is needed regarding the entrance to the park. Mr. Koch is expecting the letter in the next couple of days.

Capital Improvement Plan: Bids for the replacement of the gym annex roof have been submitted. Mr. Walsh recommended that the bid be awarded to R-K Engineering for \$32,600. Mr. Walsh requested using the balance of the \$250,000 revenue bond (\$20,012) and the balance of the funds (\$12,588) to come from the City Annexation Capital Fund. Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve, which was seconded by Mr. Johnston. The motion carried unanimously. We also requested bids to replace the roof on the Springfield press box, but there are no funds available to award this bid.

FY 09-10 Budget: The budget has been approved by the Charleston County Council as submitted.

New Business

Policy Review:

Section 3, Policy 7: ADA Policy – Mr. Johnston made a motion to approve the policy as submitted. Second from Ms. Etheridge. Motion carried unanimously.

NRPA National Congress: Mr. Bailey and Mr. Johnston will be attending the National Congress this year, along with Mr. Walsh, Ms. Ebaugh and Ms. Heath. Mr. Walsh has paid the registration fees and booked the hotel rooms. Mr. Johnston requested to stay in the NRPA Trustees block hotel. Mr. Eykyn stated that any additional costs would be paid for by Mr. Johnston.

Election of Officers: Mr. Johnston made a motion to set aside the election until next month when all five Commissioners will be present. The motion was seconded by Ms. Etheridge. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: The Commission adjourned unanimously at 8:25pm.