

St. Andrew's Parish Parks and Playground Commission

Commission Meeting Minutes

October 19th, 2006

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Present: Jeff Gladwell, Mike Eykyn, Ron Bailey, Kevin Walsh, Frank Stefan. Mr. Johnston had an excused absence from the Commission Chair.

Call to Order: Mr. Gladwell called the meeting to order at 7:13pm.

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

Approval of the September 21st, 2006 Minutes: Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve to approve the September 21st, 2006 minutes which was seconded by Mr. Eykyn. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the September 2006 Financial Reports and Summary Balance Sheets: Mr. Eykyn made a motion to approve the financial reports and summary balance sheets from September which was seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report: Mr. Walsh stated that he received a couple letters of requests of information from Lee Edwards and Paul Kemp. The first request being who provides St. Andrew's Parks and Playground with employee ID badges, pest control and alarm services, or any business St. Andrew's does with Indoff, Mr. Gladwell, Mr. Eykyn, or GEM Badge. The second request was to disclose any information regarding business travels of Commission and/or staff between the days of October 1, 2006 – October 18th, 2006; where traveled, what was paid for, if any spouses were paid for, etc.

Mr. Eykyn and Mr. Bailey have been re-nominated to the Governor for appointment to the Commission by Charleston County Council.

Mr. Walsh shared a drawing of new playground equipment which was designed to look like a giant fire hydrant. He is hoping to do a community fund raiser and/or receive grants to pay for the purchase and installation of the equipment.

Deputy Director's Report: Mr. Koch was not in attendance.

General Manager's Report: Mr. Stefan thanked the Commission for allowing him the opportunity to attend the NRPA National Conference in Seattle, Washington last week. He stated that he attended many good sessions and gathered some information that can be implemented at SAFFP. He also stated that the footer area for the new changing rooms in the pool area had been dug out.

Mr. Gladwell introduced David Glover and James Thornley who are firefighters with the St. Andrew's Fire Department and are sitting in to observe the meeting. Mr. Glover stated that he is PSD resident and is proud of what St. Andrew's Parks and Playground does.

Public Comment:

Energize Fitness Solutions (E.F.S.): Justin Webb and Will Kuenzel from E.F.S., the personal training company located inside St. Andrew's Family Fitness Plus, asked to address the Commission. E.F.S. has finished its first year of business working inside of SAFFP, and it went well. They requested to modify their contract for the upcoming year. The first request was to reduce the entrance fee for non-members from \$10 per visit to \$5 per visit. Mr. Webb stated that 16 of his clients joined the club due to E.F.S. training them. They have trained 125 different members. They spent more on entrance fees than anticipated and it has been a burden on the business. He proposed to pay a "set" fee for the month which would include monthly rent and non-member entrance fees. E.F.S. is currently training 60 members and 19 non-members who train 2 to 3 times per week.

E.F.S. is charging \$35 for a 30 minute session for both non-members and members. \$10 of the non-member price comes back to SAFFP as an entrance fee. So, E.F.S. is making more money on members than non-members. Mr. Gladwell asked why E.F.S. doesn't charge a higher fee for non-members and pass all or part of the entrance fee to the client. Mr. Webb stated that he did not want to set his prices too high and over price himself against the competition. Based on the non-member entrance fees E.F.S. paid over the past year, Mr. Gladwell stated that it would be cheaper for E.F.S. to buy a membership for its clients than to keep paying an entrance fee each time they train. Mr. Eykyn suggested that E.F.S. purchase 20 memberships to use over the year for its trainees and SAFFP would make the memberships transferable. Mr. Gladwell asked Mr. Stefan to meet with Mr. Webb and work out the details and come to a contractual agreement for the next year.

Unfinished Business

Annexations: See attached lists of fifty annexations.

501(C)3 – No update at this time.

FFP Pool Renovation: As Mr. Stefan reported earlier in the meeting, the footer area has been dug out.

Hall of Fame: Seven applications were received for the St. Andrew's Hall of Fame. Hugh Gorman, coached from 1963-1985; Fred Clute, football coach from 1979-2001; Darius Rucker, musician and lead singer of Hootie and the Blowfish who played football and basketball from 1974-1979; Robert Drose who was instrumental in building fields and various improvements from 1962-1982; Carolyn Drose, working in many facets at St. Andrew's from 1961-1997; Thomas Able (TA) Fulmer, pitched in the AAA league for the Seattle Mariners organization from 1989-1998; Michael Bennett, has been part of baseball, basketball, football, and boxing since 1962.

St. Andrew's Park at Hunt Club: Mr. Walsh spoke to Russ Nester and nothing has been acted on since the last home owner's association meeting. Mr. Nester requested a timeline for the project which can be discussed at their next HOA meeting on November 2nd.

New Capital Financing Plan: Mr. Walsh is holding on the plan until he can get some information on funding for the trails project.

Dixie Youth State Baseball Tournament: After final review of the revenues and expenses from the tournament, St. Andrew's profited \$7,359. Mr. Gladwell commended the staff on a job well done.

New Business

Commission Policy Review: Mr. Gladwell requested to defer the review until the next meeting. Motion from Mr. Bailey, second from Mr. Eykyn. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: The Commission adjourned unanimously at 8:08 pm.