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ZOOM MEETING

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
March 10, 2022

Present: Jeffrey Fracher, Anne Hemenway, Ned Michie, Shawn Strubbe, Anne Hemenway, Jennifer Slack, and Hosea Mitchell

Staff: Dana Kasler, Riaan Anthony

Public Matters

No public matters

Administration Matters

Adoption of Minutes

- All in favor to approve the minutes
- Correction to “Bennett’s Village” spelling instead of “Venice”

Reappoint Jeffrey Fracher

- Hosea Mitchel move to reappoint
- All in favor

Darden Towe Update- Dana Kasler

- Brief review of the funds allocated and where the project is now.
- The county has an upcoming meeting on March 23rd to include environmental sustainability studies and safety information. Their parks and rec staff will give a presentation on the studies and the need for additional fields in the city and the county.
- Ned Michie references an article from the Daily Progress regarding the county directing their attention to Biscuit Run fields.
- Ned Michie suggests the money that has been sitting for this project could be used elsewhere. (almost 1 million dollars)
- Riaan Anthony explains that this is a CIP project, so the funds are allocated for a specific project. We must ask for permission to move the funds to another project.

Meade and Belmont Playground

- Jennifer Slack asked about the renovations to the playground equipment and community input options.
- Riaan Anthony replies- Meade playground will on focus renovations on the 2-5-year-old playground and Belmont playground.
- Proposing making yard signs with a QR code at the park to find the survey and it will be an online survey.
- Hoping to get this out April 1st

CHS Tennis Courts

- Ned Michie asked about the CHS tennis courts.
- Riaan Anthony says the upper courts have been closed for 8 months.
- Looking at small capitol funding to move to the total rehab of the tennis courts project.

Bylaws Updates- Ned Michie

- Nothing to make a formal vote on today.
- Dana wants to speak with the Deputy City Manager about the roll that the city board needs to play in the appointments.
- Ned Michie suggest having a membership sub-committee to go over applications.
- Concerns with having designated seats from members and Dana because of possible limitations to specific applicants.
- Dana Kasler likes the idea of focus group recruitments.
- Dana Kasler and the board take recommendations for a committee to review applications.

Riaan

- Tonsler Park public meeting presentation for the proposal to construct a new field house and parking options. Virtual meeting Tuesday 3/22/2022 at 1p and 6p. In person meeting from 10a-2p on 3/21/2022 to explain the proposal.
- Bennett's Village public meeting presentation for the proposal to construct multi-generational, all abilities playground at Penn Park. Virtual meeting 3/15/2022 1p and 5p and then in person on 3/14/2022 from 9a-5p with information.

Chairman's Matters

None

Board Matters

None

Directors Matters

- The Dogwood festival will not be held at McIntire Park this year. Will be held at the old Kmart parking lot.
- Dana Kasler will ask will there be fireworks.
- The parade route is in discussion.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

- Ned Michie dismissed the meeting @ 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Johnson

Secretary to the Advisory Board

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