

Henry County Recreation Board
Tuesday, May 16, 2017

The Henry County Recreation Board held their public meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at Heritage Park. The media was notified of this meeting. Notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Heritage Park Recreation Office. Terry Sanders called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Those present were:

John Dewberry, Jr., District I
Wayne Swanson, District II
David Wilkerson, District III, Vice-Chairman
Terry Sanders, District IV, Chairman
Eugene Edwards, District V

Also attending were: Tyron Williams (Ga Elite Football) and Staff: Tim Coley, Kenny R. Morris, Brandi Dailey, and Donna Holder.

Motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve the agenda. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve minutes from last meeting held on **Tuesday, April 18, 2017**. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business:

Requests to serve alcoholic beverages:

1. Christina Walton requested to serve alcoholic beverages at the Cotton Fields Event Center on 5-27-17 for a Birthday Party. Wayne Swanson made a motion to approve the request. John Dewberry, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed.
2. Julianne Pipkin requested to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on 6-3-17 for a Wedding. David Wilkerson made a motion to approve the request. John Dewberry, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Requests to reduce fees:

1. Yvette Stephens requested to change the date for the Prayer Walk from June 23, 2017 to September 23, 2017 with a \$25 administrative fee in addition to the fees previously approved. David Wilkerson made a motion to approve the request. John Dewberry, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Old Business:

Comments:

Tyron Williams stated that his association signs to advertise youth football at Avalon Park are being removed. Tim advised Tyron to bring it up at the football meeting with the other football directors. He also needs to speak to Code Enforcement at the City and County.

Eugene Edwards asked Tim to address the hill at Fairview Recreation Center. He would like to have some shrubs planted. Commissioner Holmes had sent in a request. Kenny had the maintenance workers spray to kill weeds in the area last week.

Wayne Swanson requested the limbs that were cut back at Nash Farm be relocated from just 10' off the trail to a hidden debris area. You can see them off the trail and the area needs to be cleaned. He also asked about the barn across the street at Nash Farm. Tim stated Jonesboro Road will be relocated near that barn by the State DOT.

Wayne Swanson requested the leaves are growing over path at North Mt. Carmel and a pine tree has fallen between two trees and will fall soon. He will send pictures. The tree is broken at the base.

Wayne Swanson also needs the landscaping plan that may have Heritage plants for Nash Farm from Tim Coley. Tim will also get the stage specifications from Ron Burckhalter with SPLOST. A vendor recommended 34'x20' with (2) 8' sound wings on each side. Tim will email Wayne the information.

John Dewberry, Jr. wanted an update about a pavilion needed at Warren Holder Park. There are no SPLOST projects at Warren Holder Park so funds cannot be transferred to it. The Commissioners would have to put it in the capital budget. The City of Locust Grove could choose to participate in matching a percentage of the funds needed. The County would need to commit first.

John Dewberry, Jr. mentioned the Tanger Station parking issues. A land purchase to expand the parking would require the Commissioners put it in the capital budget. The City of Locust Grove could choose to participate in matching a percentage of the funds needed. The County would need to commit first.

Department Report:

Invitations were sent out to the Board for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Bear Creek Senior & Recreation Center on May 22, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. It will open to the public on Tuesday, May 30, 2017.

Tim stated that Community Service is completed in the parks. They are to be supervised. The County has a Community Service Department to pick up roadside litter, etc. If you have a park that has an event, they could work a function that has supervision.

Park Report:

Tyron asked if the Scoreboard on Field 1 at Avalon Park could be replaced. Tim stated it would have to be July 1, 2017.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Wayne Swanson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by John Dewberry, Jr. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.