



OAK RIDGE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 16, 2015 - 7 P.M.
OAK RIDGE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Members Present

Bill Edwards, Chair
Tracy Street, Vice Chair
Phyllis Anders
Phyllis Clodfelter
Jasmine O'Connell, Alt. (Sitting)

Staff Present

Terry Lannon, Parks & Recreation Director
Sandra Smith, Town Clerk

Teen Advisor Absent

Madeline Bagby

Members Absent

Barry Knight
Micah Spencer, Alt.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Bill Edwards made a **motion** to approve the meeting agenda. **Phyllis Anders** seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (5-0).

3. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Approval of the minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

4. STAFF REPORT

Parks & Recreation Director Terry Lannon presented:

- **Financial report.** No report, since it was only 3 weeks into the new fiscal year.
- **Phase II construction.** The location of the amphitheater had been reoriented slightly so that faced the open hillside more, and the service road location was tweaked to save 4-5 hardwood trees. Footings for the restroom have been poured, and a site visit was planned for the following Monday. Some trees may be lost due to the septic field location. Some unsuitable soil had to be removed and replaced, which cost over \$8,000, but the septic bids came in below what was budgeted, which should even out that extra expense.
- **Family Movie Night.** The first movie event, sponsored by The Summit Church, was held with around 200 people in attendance. Another movie night, featuring the original "Star Wars," is slated for July 25.

- **My Little Library damage.** The My Little Library, which was an Eagle Scout project, was vandalized, but has since been partially repaired. Lannon suggested keeping a sheet of plexiglass on hand should the glass get broken again.
- **Oak Ridge Town Park sign and map.** The second draft of the park map has been reviewed, and the goal is to have it complete or in the final stages in the fall. Lannon said he may come back to the Commission later regarding additional information to be included in the brochure for the park that is being designed.
- **ORYA sign replacement.** Some of the signs have been removed, and work is being done on the project.
- **Other.**
 - Spring dead spot, a fungus, has been found on the multipurpose fields. The fungus was treated last year with a fungicide, and a biostimulant is being used this year. More sod may be needed to replace the spots, but that will be determined in the next 4-6 weeks.
 - ORYA camp is scheduled to start July 17.
 - Co-ed softball on Friday nights is going well.
 - Laser grading has been completed.
 - The seasonal part-time worker would complete his hours the week of July 14.
 - Playground mulch was installed the week of July 14.

Edwards asked if the tires from Rugged Ridge obstacle course had been removed yet, and Lannon said no.

Anders asked if the T-shirts for volunteers to wear at events had arrived; Lannon said no, but he would check on them.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Music in the Park #1.** The first event, featuring Second Chance (bluegrass) was held on June 20 and it went well, although attendance was not very high. Anders said there had been some complaints that homemade chili was not available for hot dogs, so she would make chili for the next event.
- B. Music in the Park #2.** Door prizes for the next event, scheduled for July 18, had been selected. Chords of Faith (gospel) was scheduled to perform.
- C. Bridge to Nowhere relocation.** Edwards reported that the bridge, which was an Eagle Scout project and was supposed to provide a link from the park to Oak Ridge Commons shopping center, was not able to be used and would just rot where it was if something was not done. He said he was looking for a place to relocate the bridge. Previously, the Commission had gotten an estimate of around \$400 to move it onto park property with a crane. Barry Knight had suggested possibly putting it in the park where the future suspension bridge had been discussed.

Lannon said he hated to give up the idea of a suspension bridge in the park, and asked about the possibility of transporting the bridge to the Cascades Preserve. After additional discussion, Lannon said he would ask Guilford County if the bridge could be used at the Cascades.

7. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

- Next scheduled P&RC meeting: August 20, 2015
- Additional Music in the Park: August 15, September 19, and October 3
- Family Movie Night: July 25

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Councilman George McClellan told the Commission it was doing a great job.

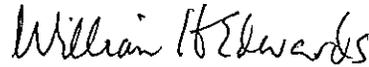
9. ADJOURMENT

Phyllis Clodfelter made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. **Phyllis Anders** seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (5-0).

Respectfully Submitted:



Sandra B. Smith, CMC, Town Clerk



William H. Edwards, Chairman