

October 21,

P&R Minutes: September 16, 2021



**OAK RIDGE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 21, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.  
(Held electronically via the Zoom platform and in person)**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present**

John Browning, Co-Chair (via Zoom)  
John Garrett, Co-Chair (in person)  
Phyllis Anders (in person)  
Kyle Anders (in person)  
Mike Kimel, Alternate, sitting (in person)

**Staff Present**

Ashley Royal, Deputy Clerk (in person)  
Terry Lannon (in person)

**Members Absent**

Kelly Riddle  
Tracy Smith  
Brady Young  
Maureena Shepherd, Alternate

Selby Chipman, Teen Advisor

*Note: This meeting was conducted remotely under N. C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.24 by use of simultaneous communication using the Zoom online platform and in which Parks & Recreation Advisory Board members participated by simultaneous communication. Board members joined and participated in the entire meeting, unless otherwise noted.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chair John Garrett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVE AGENDA**

*John Garrett amended the agenda by moving the ORYA Report and New Business to be presented after the approval of the minutes. Mike Kimel made a motion to approve the agenda, and Phyllis Anders seconded the motion. The amended agenda was passed unanimously (5-0).*

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

*Kyle Anders made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2021 regular meeting. Mike Kimel seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously (5-0).*

**4. ORYA REPORT**

ORYA President Tom Collins said that the already approved annual flag football event would be held at the Park on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. He asked the Board to consider allowing Teen Leadership to host a 5K at the Park on Saturday, November 27, 2021 from 8 a.m. – noon and a movie night at the amphitheater on Saturday, November 13, 2021.

*Kyle Anders made a motion approve ORYA's Teen Leadership's request to host a movie night at the amphitheater on Saturday, November 13, 2021 and a 5k at the Park on Saturday, November 27, 2021. Phyllis Anders seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously (5-0).*

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### **Consideration/Approval of 2022 Oak Ridge Youth Association Usage Agreement.**

ORYA President Tom Collins told the Board that the only change to the 2022 Usage Agreement that was being recommended was the request to allow girls' field hockey the ability to use the multi-purpose game fields for practices.

A lengthy conversation ensued between the Board and Collins regarding the logistics of the proposed girls' field hockey schedule.

*Mike Kimel made a motion to add elementary school girls' field hockey as an authorized sport to the 2022 Usage Agreement. Kyle Anders seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously (5-0).*

John Garrett said that as a part of the yearly review of the Usage Agreement that the Board would also like to review ORYA's financial report of the previous year. Collins responded that he would be glad to provide that and would email it to Deputy Clerk Ashley Royal.

Lannon presented the financial report which is hereby incorporated into the record and made a part of the minutes.

## 6. STAFF REPORT

Lannon told the Board that four minor edits, including the authorization of girls' field hockey had been made to the 2022 ORYA Usage Agreement. He said that he would forward a copy of the Agreement to all Board members.

Lannon presented the financial report which is hereby incorporated into the record and made a part of the minutes.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Update on pedestrian crossing signage at the Park, painted crosswalks at the Redmon Field and adding chess tables in the Park.** The Board agreed by consensus to not place pedestrian crossing signage at the Park. Lannon said that once he was able to find paint that the crosswalks would be added to the Redmon Field. The Board asked Deputy Clerk Ashley Royal to create a poll on Facebook to ask residents if they would utilize chess tables at either Oak Ridge Town Park or at Heritage Farm Park.
- B. **Update on Sidewalk Games for Heritage Farm Park.** The Board agreed by consensus to hold off on planning for any sidewalk games at the Heritage Farm Park.
- C. **Update on Piedmont Discovery Scavenger Hunt at the Park.** Royal updated the Board on the Scavenger Hunt details. She said that Oak Ridge Town Park would be part of the Scavenger Hunt in March of 2022.

- D. Update on Redmon House restoration. Anders said that she had no update.
- E. Update on Music in the Park series. Anders said that she would be working on scheduling bands for the 2022 Series.

8. OTHER DISCUSSIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

Halloween Terror Trail:	October 22/23 & 29/30
Next regular meeting:	November 18, 2021
Light up the Night:	December 4, 2021 (Rain date Dec. 5)

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Kinneman said that he was working on finding someone to add Wi-Fi to Oak Ridge Town Park.

10. ADJOURNMENT

*John Browning made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. Phyllis Anders seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (5-0).*

