



**OAK RIDGE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 17, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**(Held electronically via the Zoom platform)**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present**

John Browning, Co-Chair  
John Garrett, Co-Chair (via Zoom)  
Phyllis Anders  
Kyle Anders  
Mike Kimel  
Kelly Riddle  
Chelsea Young, alternate (sitting, via Zoom)

**Staff Present**

Ashley Royal, Deputy Clerk  
Terry Lannon, Parks & Recreation Director (via Zoom)

**Members Absent**

Adrian Eckenrod, alternate  
Maureena Shepherd, alternate  
Brady Young

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 Browning called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVE AGENDA**

Brown suggested amending the agenda by adding Laura Peoples to the agenda to discuss pickleball at Oak Ridge Town Park and Patti Dmuchowski to discuss supplemental lighting for events at Oak Ridge Town Park after the approval of the minutes.

*John Browning made a motion to approve the amended agenda, and Kyle Anders seconded the motion. The amended agenda was approved unanimously (7-0).*

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mike Kimel made a clarification to the January 20, 2022, regular meeting minutes that the bands participating in the Music in the Park series could accept donations directly.

*Mike Kimel made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2022, regular meeting. John Browning seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously (7-0).*

**Consideration/Approval of allowing pickleball to be playing in the parking lot at Oak Ridge Town Park (Laura Peoples).** Peoples presented a proposal to the Board to allow pickleball to be played in the parking lot at Oak Ridge Town Park. A lengthy conversation ensued regarding the logistics of the proposal.

*Kyle Anders made a motion to temporarily approve pickleball to be played at Oak Ridge Town Park in the parking lot on days and times to be coordinated with Parks & Recreation Advisory Director Terry Lannon. John Browning seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (7-0).*

**Lighting at Oak Ridge Town Park for events. (Patti Dmuchowski)** Special Events Chair Dmuchowski requested that supplemental lighting be added to Oak Ridge Town Park for night events. Lannon suggested that the Special Events Committee purchase shop lights. ORYA Representative Kelly Riddle said that they had portable lights that they would be able to loan to the Special Events Committee. Dmuchowski also asked the Board permission for the Special Events Committee to use the food trailer to be used again at RidgeFest on September 10, 2022.

*The Board agreed by consensus to allow the Special Events Committee to utilize the food trailer during RidgeFest on September 10, 2022.*

#### **4. STAFF REPORT**

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

Lannon announced that a night custodian had been hired and would begin working on Monday, February 21, 2022.

Lannon provided a Heritage Farm Park well update to the Board.

#### **5. ORYA REPORT**

Kelly Riddle reported that ORYA was wrapping up their basketball season which was held at Oak Ridge Military Academy's gym. She said that they would begin registration for spring sports soon. Riddle said that the ORYA Teen Leadership Team held a successful 5K at Oak Ridge Town Park on February 14, 2022. She said that ORYA would be enhancing their training for coaches. Riddle said that a fundraising was being held to benefit the basketball floor at Oak Ridge Elementary School.

*The Board agreed by consensus to approve a Fusion sign for the multipurpose fields at Oak Ridge Town Park.*

#### **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Presentation of Proposed Design for the Redmon House (Phyllis Anders, Debbie Shoenfeld and Mayor Ann Schneider).** A presentation on the Redmon House was presented to the Board which is hereby incorporated into the record and made a part of the minutes.
- B. **Selection of 2022 Frozen Drink Vendor for Oak Ridge Town Park.** The Board heard presentations from Kona Ice and To The Moon and Back.

*Chelsea Young made a motion to approve Kona Ice as Oak Ridge Town Park's 2022 frozen drink vendor and for To The Moon and Back to be allowed to be the 2022 frozen treat vendor for all Music in the Park events, Canine Capers and possibly Heritage Day. Mike Kimel seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (7-0).*

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Update on Spencer Stanislawchek's Eagle Scout Project.** The Board agreed that the best placement for this project would be at Heritage Farm Park. Based upon the timing of when Heritage Farm Park would be constructed, Stanislawchek determined that the timing would not align with when he would need to complete his Eagle Scout Project.
- B. **Update on Music in the Park series and Subcommittee looking into 2023 Sponsorships (Phyllis Anders).** Anders reported that all the bands for the 2022 series had been booked. She also told the Board that the 2023 Sponsorship Subcommittee had met recently and would be reporting back to the Board on suggestions soon.

## 8. OTHER DISCUSSIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

Next regular meeting:	March 17, 2022
Spring Arts & Crafts Show:	April 2, 2022
Music in the Park, featuring The Grassifieds	April 9, 2022
Canine Capers:	April 30, 2022

## 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

*Kelly Riddle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. John Browning seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously (7-0).*

