



**OAK RIDGE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 15, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.  
(Held in person & electronically via the Zoom platform)**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present**

John Browning, Co-Chair  
John Garrett, Co-Chair  
Phyllis Anders  
Kyle Anders  
Adrian Eckenrod  
Mike Kimel  
Kelly Riddle (arrived at 6:34 p.m., not sitting)  
Chelsea Young, alternate (sitting)

**Staff Present**

Terry Lannon, Parks & Recreation Director  
Ashley Royal, Deputy Clerk

**Members Absent**

Phyllis Clodfelter, alternate  
Randy Collins, alternate  
Reese Bell, 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 6:30 p.m.

**2. APPROVE AGENDA**

John Garrett made a request to amend the agenda by adding a Discussion of Extending Pickleball Hours to Old Business as item C.

*Kyle Anders made a motion to approve the amended agenda, and Mike Kimel seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).*

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

*John Browning made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2023 regular meeting, and Adrian Eckenrod seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).*

**4. STAFF REPORT**

- Lannon presented the financial report which is hereby incorporated into the record and made a part of the minutes.
- Lannon said that the construction at Heritage Farm Park had been held up by rain and that construction would begin soon.

- Lannon proposed that sausage be offered as a new concession item beginning at the July 8, 2023 Music in the Park event. A lengthy conversation ensued regarding the type of sausage that would be served, its cost, and how it would be prepared.

*Kelly Riddle made a motion to approve the sale of grilled sausages at the concession trailer beginning July 8, 2023 at a price of \$6.00 for sausage only and \$8.00 for a combo, and Adrian Eckenrod seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).*

**5. ORYA REPORT**

Riddle reported that:

- ORYA's summer camps would begin soon, and that football camp would be held July 23 - 27, 2023 at Oak Ridge Elementary School.
- Crossfit Oak Ridge had offered a discount to ORYA members.
- All fall games would begin after Labor Day.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**Consideration/Approval of Park Entrance Master Site Plan.**

Town Councilwoman Marth Pittman presented the Park Entrance Master Site Plan to the Board and answered questions about the plan.

*Kelly Riddle made a motion to accept the Park Entrance Master Site Plan, and Kyle Anders seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).*

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Update on Farmhouse Community Center.**

No update

**B. Update on 2023 Music in the Park Series**

Phyllis Anders and Royal said that they would like the Board to consider making a recommendation to Council that all future Music in the Park events beginning in 2024 offer beer and wine and that smaller community bands play on the back deck at the Farmhouse Community Center beginning in July of 2024.

*Kelly Riddle made a motion to make a recommendation to Council that all future Music in the Park events held at the Oak Ridge Town Park amphitheater offer beer and wine and that smaller community bands play at the future Farmhouse Community Center beginning in July of 2024, and Adrian Eckenrod seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. (7-0).*

**C. Continued Discussion of Extending Pickleball Court Availability at Oak Ridge Town Park**

Browning reported that Laura Peoples had requested that the temporary pickleball courts be made available for play from dusk to dawn beginning immediately from

Monday – Friday and that weekend play be considered when tournaments were not being played.

*The Board agreed by consensus that the temporary pickleball courts be made available for play from dusk to dawn beginning immediately from Monday – Friday and that weekend play be determined by Terry Lannon based upon the tournament schedules.*

**8. OTHER DISCUSSIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS**

Next special meeting:	July 11, 2023
Next regular meeting:	July 20, 2023
Music in the Park:	July 8, 2023
Movie in the Park:	August 11, 2023
RidgeFest:	Sept. 7-9, 2023

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

*Mike Kimel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m., and John Browning seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).*

Respectfully submitted:

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Ashley Royal, CMC  
Deputy Clerk

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John Garrett  
Co-Chair