

Parks & Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

6/16/16 Community Center 6:00 PM

In attendance: Angel Ward, Amy Foxhall, Teresa Marshall, Katherine Houghton, Sam Fink, Kelly Travers, Daniel Yost, Eric Lutz

Guests: Roger Rutledge, Del Bull, Judy Jamison and Jeff Jamison

Final 2016/17 budget plan

City Council will approve budget in June. Indications are that Parks & Rec will receive at least \$14000.00.

Laurie was out of town and not able to provide a budget update. She will be getting back to Angel to let her know the available budget reserve. We are expecting this to be a small amount. With any reserves it will be spent on Folly Family Fun Night [from this point forward FFFN] and to reimburse for the sign at the Shorebird Park.

See Robin Brooks at the City for reimbursements.

Folly Family Fun Night

This will be held on Tuesday nights from 5 – 7 pm from 6/21 to 8/2. This is a good way to get families together during the twilight hours.

Please see the Folly Family Fun Night Detailed List and flyer attachments for details on which vendors will be on which night!

First night:

June 21st- Youth to Ocean Nature Night- Daniel Yost

Daniel plans to have interactive stations both in the park and out on the dock.

Thanks to Angel and Sam for working on the \$500 donation from the Community Promotions Foundation.

The fire department is hopeful to be there every night dependent on emergencies and other calls.

7/19 is still a little in flux: The only questionable vendor is “Good Clean Fun” as we have still not received confirmation from them yet. May get a children’s hair wrap vendor.

Roger will be the MC each week. He will be bringing his sound system each week which can hook up to 4 mics and have several speakers. He will make sure Angel gets this equipment prior to him being out of town on 7/26.

One member of the board and Roger will work together on “Rogers checklist” [see attached] on Monday and Tuesday to ensure we are ready to go by 5pm each Tuesday!

Here is the list of volunteers each Tuesday [along with Roger]:

6/21 - Katherine

6/28 – Teresa

7/5 – Sam

7/12 – Kelly

7/19 – Amy

7/26 – Roger out so Angel will make sure to be there

8/2 - Amy

Need to check to see if Michael and/or Daniel are available any nights. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend any and all Tuesdays!

There is a green team bottle refill area for vendors and kids those nights. Members are encouraged to take pictures, videos, etc for the website.

Other ideas/Items Needed:

Another food truck or possible other picnics sponsored by other folly boards/clubs.

Interpretative sign for East Shore Bird Park

This sign has been made and installed! Many thanks to Teresa for coordinating Kelly Kane Wood, her husband and Eric and his crew. We will need photos for the grant reimbursement.

Dog Park Benches

Civic Club bought one very sturdy bench and it has been installed. The fence in the park also needs to be replaced. The city is getting bids to do this now. Also the park is mainly all sand/dirt so we need to consider replanting it.

Folly Fine Art Installation

At the previous meeting Deana shared her idea about a public art installation and provided info she received from Hilton Head. She also discussed her idea of starting a foundation on Folly that would contribute to funding the installation program. This project will take a lot of help and coordination. Parks & Rec will be the medium to manage the project with the help and coordination of other local organizations. Laurie said she would talk to a few people about funding for the foundation. Could consider reaching out to the fine arts programs at local colleges to start a competition or something similar. This is in the conceptual stages now. This is a lower priority due to FFFN and it will be placed on the back burner until August.

Walk/Bike maps

Content info for the maps have been sent to Little Dog Agency. The agency has told us they can get a map for us but Parks & Rec would need to get a company to print out the maps. Would like to blow it up and eventually put at the river park. Little Dog Agency also showed possible pop up maps that could be made. The agency is getting more information on the pop up maps. Looking at getting some more professional looking photos for the map and the website. Roger's wife and/or Katherine may be able to assist with this project.

Skate Park Privacy Fence

The Jamison's are immediately adjacent to the park. There two main complaints are that the skate ramps themselves are very loud and the bad language coming from the main group of kids that hang out at the park . The main group does not feel responsible for the maintenance of the park and its neighbors. They are leaving it dirty, tearing down signs and running off other patrons with bad language. They are not concerned with the current surveillance cameras in place.

Past plans for a privacy fence were aborted but this needs to be brought before the council again [Folly Green team and/or Civic club may be able to assist with funding as well]. A multi-pronged approach needs to be considered by exploring a sound barrier that will not be instantly covered in graffiti; and working to keep the profanity to a minimum. Some ideas were to hire an off duty officer, charge admission, post more signs, and bring Brian in or have a P&R member talk to the core group directly about respecting the park and neighbors. There is an ordinance of \$20 for profanity.

Teresa and Katherine will work together on a solution based approach. They will form a subcommittee to investigate and put together a proposal. They will coordinate with public safety.

Non-motorized Boat Access

This is the area of the boat ramp that is closest to the bridge. Would like to move some of the rocks and put in sand to launch kayaks and other non-motorized items. This would be great for the increased number of tour groups in the area.

Update per Laurie: Because the City has not allocated any funds for the project, we submitted a grant application to the County for Transportation Sales Tax funds and are awaiting the results of those applications – hopefully this month. We will also be submitting the project for CTC grant funding as well, with those results coming out this fall.

Future Parks and Rec plans

Need to schedule a team tour of park spaces and land available – will likely pick this up in August and schedule for the fall. Angel can provide a complete this of

parks if you need. Ryan Hall [new IT guy for the city] has created a great interactive map of the island listing the parks.

Possible West side extension initiative – need to get this land surveyed. Ryan Hall could pull GIS together to get list of addresses so we can poll the neighbors on what they would like to see in the area. Received some push back in years past.

Hopeful to get a more solidified website.

Other topics tabled until the next meeting

Future meetings

July 21st – August 18th – September 15th: meetings will be held at the Community Center and will begin at 6:00 PM.