

# **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MAY MEETING**

## **23 MAY 2017**

Committee Attendees: Amy Foxhall (chair), Billy Grooms, Katherine Houghton, Mike Ezelle, Sam Fink.

Interested Attendees: Mayor Tim Goodwin, City Council member Teresa Marshall, Mr. Jeff O'Connor.

### 1. Welcome and Call to Order

- Amy called the meeting to order at 6:06, welcomed those in attendance, and was pleased to recognize interested parties.

### 2. 2017-2018 Plan and Budget

- First approval of \$14,000 budget completed by City Council, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to be in June.

### 3. Wave Watch Park

#### a. Surf Boards

- All old boards have been repaired/primed with the help of local resident volunteer, Caroline Tisdale.
- Some boards are unserviceable, and Committee member Mike E. will pursue options for securing suitable replacements.
- Local artist Megan Coker has offered some design ideas.
- Committee member Katherine H. will pursue having FB children participate, possibly in conjunction with 'story time' held at the Library. More public information and coordination with city to follow.

#### b. Park Bathroom

Eric Lutz is seeking bids on the approved design. He will let us know when he receives the bids.

### 4. Shadow Race Pocket Park

- a. Katherine H. provided pictures of Park improvements completed by City staff, noting new walking and viewing areas.
- b. Resident Nancy Jonjevic, a 'master gardener' from the Clemson Extension is continuing her plan on planting and beautifying.
- c. Katherine H. conducted a meeting with nearby neighbors, and was informed by Dr. & Mrs. Frank Adams that research shows the land

includes a Civil War embankment; installing a commemorative marker will be investigated.

#### 5. East-End Dog Park Improvements

- Kenny Hansen (committee member not in attendance) met with Priority Landscaping to discuss improvements and grading. Resident Jeff O'Connor volunteered to participate in this project. Additional investigation will be done to address potential sodding, and a separate area for small dogs.

#### 6. Family Fun Night

- Beginning June 20 through August 1, 2017, every Tuesday (excluding 4<sup>th</sup> of July) evening from 5-7 PM, a family night of activities, food and entertainment with live music will be held at Folly River Park.
  - 6/20: Children's Museum of the Low Country and Good Clean Fun
  - 6/27: Folly Beach Turtle Team & Youth to Ocean
  - 7/11: Storytree Theater
  - 7/18: Caleb Alexander-Magician
  - 7/25: Curious Moon Puppets
  - 8/1: Dragon Fly Yoga

#### 7. Non-motorized Boat Ramp

- Still working with the county regarding funding and grant status.

#### 8. 9<sup>th</sup> Street Greenway

- a. Minutes from the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting apply: Amy reported on a meeting held with residents held May 4<sup>th</sup> in the Community Center to address the potential greenway from West 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> blocks; approximately 50 residents attended; several spoke to voice their opinions.
- b. Results from an on line survey currently show 60% are opposed to the 9<sup>th</sup> Street Greenway and 40% are in support of the project.
- c. Sam F. made a motion to suspend the project; motion seconded by Mike E. Discussion was held on the motion and vote taken; motion failed.
- d. A motion was made by Katherine H. to continue investigation for the Greenway project and other sidewalk and greenway

discussions; the motion was seconded by Amy F. Discussion was held on the motion and vote taken; motion passed unanimously. More to follow.

e. Amy F. noted that a Folly Resident has filed a Freedom of Information Request with the City of Folly Beach.

f. There are plans to conduct a city-wide forum to discuss the greenway project(s) in the near future.

9. Folly Beach History Museum

- Katherine H. , chairman for the History Museum project, gave a brief summary of the status of the Folly Beach history museum. She is currently in the process of collecting artifacts and stories that will be a major part of the FB story. The History Museum committee wants to hold a fundraiser and is currently in the process of securing a location for such fundraiser.

The next meeting will be held June 29<sup>th</sup>; meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Sam Fink