



Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting



Minutes
August 20, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Parks and Recreation Director Troy Hodges welcomed everyone to the August 20th meeting. The following new members were welcomed and introduced to the Board.

- Rickey Lovelace – District 2 Representative
- Steve Lundquist – District 4 Representative

In the absence of a permanent Advisory Board Chairperson, Carlos Frazier made a Motion to appoint Dr. Elliott McGlory as temporary Chairperson for tonight's meeting. Mr. Jarvis Jackson Seconded the Motion. All were in favor with no objections. Motion approved.

II. RECOGNIZE CITIZENS

There were no citizens present for comment or question.

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The January 29, 2018 Minutes were presented to the Board for review, discussion, and approval. After a brief discussion, Steve Lundquist made a Motion to approve the Minutes as presented. Ms. Ianta Burks seconded the Motion. All were in favor; no objections. The Motion was approved.

IV. BUSINESS

a. Advisory Board Manual and Email

Marsha White reviewed the updated material in the Board member's manual, provided the new Board members with county e-mail addresses and instructions on how to access their county email.

b. County Board Compensation

Mr. Troy Hodges reported that the Clayton County Board of Commissioners passed an ordinance stating that all Boards that are eligible to receive compensation would receive an additional \$50 per meeting / per month. Currently, the Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meets on a voluntary basis without compensation as elected by a previous set of Board members. After a brief discussion among the current Board members the following was decided:

1. Director Troy Hodges will inquire about where compensation funds would be pulled from if the current Board elects to receive compensation.
2. Director Troy Hodges will seek clarity from the CCBOC regarding the language "additional \$50.00"

After continued discussion, Interim Chairperson Dr. McGlory made a Motion to amend the ByLaws of Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to reflect that the Board can receive compensation. Jarvis Hill Seconded the Motion. All were in favor; no objections. Motion approved. Marsha White will draft a revised set of ByLaws for the Board to review and approve.

Following the revision of the ByLaws and confirmation of the above questions, the Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will vote to determine if compensation will be accepted.

c. Chairperson / Vice Chairperson Position

The Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson have both resigned requiring the Board to identify and vote to fill the vacant positions.

Ms. Ianta Burks nominated Dr. Elliott McGlory for the vacant position of Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairperson. Mr. Carlos Frazier Seconded the Motion. After a brief discussion, a vote was taken. All were in favor, no objections. Motion approved.

Mr. Rickey Lovelace nominated Ms. Ianta Burks for the vacant position of Clayton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Vice Chairperson. Mr. Jarvis Hill Seconded the Motion. After a brief discussion, a vote was taken. All were in favor, no objections. Motion approved.

d. Schedule next Advisory Board Meeting

Ms. White informed new members and reminded the Board on the process of sending agenda items to her via e-mail no later than three days before the upcoming Advisory Board meeting.

A reminder was also provided to the Board to contact Marsha White should a Board member choose to re-agenda an item for discussion.

Ms. White generated question and discussion with the Board on which Clayton County Parks and Recreation staff the Board may be interested in inviting to an upcoming Board meeting. Ms. Ianta Burks requested the Board invite Mr. Kobo Simpson, Athletics Administrator to the next meeting, and at the following meeting invite both Greenspace Administrator Stephanie Berens and Marketing Administrator Amy Keeney.

The Board members discussed possibly meeting the third Monday of each month following the October meeting.

Carlos Frazier made a Motion to schedule the next Advisory Board meeting for September 17, 2018. Dr. Elliott McGlory seconded the Motion. All were in favor; no objections.

II. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Parks and Recreation Director Troy Hodges provided an update on current projects and events related to Clayton County Parks and Recreation including Jesters' Creek Trail, River's Edge Greenway Golf Course and trails, Lake Spivey Trail, Phase III trail system from the International Park to Waverley Way, tennis court resurfacing and addition of Pickle Ball lines, the addition of five new employee positions for the Greenspace Division, application for Agency of the Year has been submitted to GRPA and NRPA, and an employee compensation study for the employee parody has been conducted but not yet published.

III. COMMENTS

Ianta Burks requested for the next agenda "Involvement in activities for the Board."

Carlos Benifield commented that the Advisory Board should focus on increasing parental participation in recreation and athletic activities.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:35 p.m.