

# **PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**June 23, 2014**

**7:00 PM**

**Harrisburg Town Hall**

**Harrisburg, NC 28075**

*Minutes*

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marcus King            Bob Yates  
Antonio Porretta      Van Jaynes

## **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Shawn Marble  
Holly Sloop  
Eric Smallwood

Marcus King called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approval of Minutes from April 29, 2014 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting. Motion made by Antonio Porretta, Seconded by Linda Thurman.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Update on the Greenway
  - The Carolina Thread Trail going through the Canterfield subdivision still needs 116 “yes” votes. A total of 339 votes would pass the measure
  - A land donation was going to be presented to Council but was not approved by the Planning and Zoning Board

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mark Swartz is willing to work with the Advisory Board for using the parking lot next to Hawthorne’s Pizza for a possible parking area. Eric is meeting with him this week to follow up and get more details to present to Council and Mike Rose.
- Board member updates
  - Linda Thurman – Improve the Town Website. Shawn said that July 1<sup>st</sup>, the new Communication Specialist will begin working on this and other items to raise awareness.
  - Antonio Porretta – FCCA has let go of a coach that he believes could be a great asset to the Town’s Soccer program. He suggested exploring the possibility of bringing him on to run the soccer program.
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Changes
  - Fireworks being shot from area by the volleyball courts at Harrisburg Park. This could be a long-term solution.
  - The Farmers Market will not be available for parking or pedestrian traffic.
  - Hickory Ridge Middle will now have shuttle services.
- Baseball
  - Two new age groups to the current mix. 11-13 and 14-16.
  - New dugout covers are in.
- Proposed FY 2015 Budget
  - Passed 4-3
  - Approved two concerts per year: Spring and Fall. This will begin in the Spring of 2015.
  - Holly proposed pursuing a grant for an ADA approved playground surface for Harrisburg Park.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- No comments were made

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Linda Thurman seconded by Marcus King. Carried unanimously.

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Marcus King

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Jensen Caudle, Secretary