

CITY OF NEWTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
May 13, 2014

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission of Newton, North Carolina was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at Newton Recreation Center.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kyle Smith, Chairman
Terry Abernethy, Vice-Chairman
Frances Inscoe

Commission Members Absent:

Marshall Pratt
David Shugart
Mickie Drum
John Stiver, City Representative

Staff Present: Carol Stiles, Assistant Recreation Director

Recording Secretary: Marcia L. Winkler

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Kyle Smith welcomed Frances Inscoe to the commission and called the meeting to order.

- II. Commission member Terry Abernethy moved to approve the minutes from the Tuesday, March 11, 2014 regular meeting, seconded by Commission member Frances Inscoe, the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

III. Old Business

Swimming Pool Grate - Assistant Director Carol Stiles discussed that the new pool grates had been installed and recertified at a cost of \$2,400 – after grates were installed water was added to the swimming pool.

Northside Park Playground Equipment - Assistant Director Carol Stiles told the commission that the playground equipment had been ordered and hope it will arrive in the middle of May.

Sue Jones Estate – 1.2 Million Dollar Grant - Recreation Commission Chairman Kyle Smith had a brief discussion on the Sue Jones Estate topic. New Commission member Frances Inscoe asked if she could get a copy of the Sue Jones Estate Project List at the next commission meeting.

Northside Park Tennis Courts - Assistant Director reported the tennis court has been removed and the fencing was put around the basketball court. City staff pruned and sowed grass in the park.

IV. New Business

Proposed Parks, Recreation and Facilities Budget - Assistant Director gave out a copy of the proposed budget to the commission.

Eagle Scout Project - Spencer Jarrett a Lifescout in troop 238 contacted Recreation Director Sandra Waters wanting to build a new canoe outtake.

V. Program Report

Ms. Stiles said the bushes and shrubs were replanted at Southside Park around amphitheater due to the flood in 2013; Recreation Department passed safety inspection and received the gold star for a safe work environment; Unity Day event will be held Sunday, May 18th at the Newton-Conover Auditorium; Smokey Mountain Basketball Tournament will be held May 23 – 25 at the Recreation gym and Central gym, teams will be attending from North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and Georgia; Crusin will be held in downtown Newton, Saturday, May 17th.

VI. Commission Member Reports/Comments

Commission member Terry Abernethy complimented the city staff on a job well-done.

VII. Adjournment

Commission Member Terry Abernethy moved that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2014.

Carol Stiles, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director