

MINUTES
BRUNSWICK COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
June 20, 2017

I. Call to Order

- Laura Botto called the Meeting to order. The Meeting was held in Building G, Parks and Recreation Conference Room.

II. Invocation

- Laura Botto gave the invocation.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 16, 2017 Meeting

- **The Minutes were not approved due to lack of quorum.**

IV. Citizens Wishing to be Heard

George Briggs and Beth from Ocean Ridge Plantation were present. Mr. Briggs stated that he had been monitoring the progress of Ocean Isle Beach Park. It was his understanding that the budget was approved at 5.1 million and an additional 1 million approved if necessary. Mr. Briggs asked if the budget was now 6.1 million and if the funds were not needed what would happen to the funds. Aaron explained that based on Smithville going over budget that they were trying to be prepared if OIB came in over. If the additional million was not needed it would go back into the general fund. Aaron stated he would go into more detail in his Director's Report coming up.

V. Commission Business Session

- **Khrystye Haselden, 50 and Over Program Coordinator**

- Aaron informed the Advisory Board that this month the Staff Member presenting was Khrystye Haselden, who is the 50 and Over Program Coordinator.

Khrystye began by introducing herself and then passed out a document to the Advisory Board for them to follow along with her on her job responsibilities. Khrystye began by indicating she oversees a monthly golf outing that averages around 80 in attendance and has been a program provided by Parks and Recreation for 25 to 30 years. Next, she talked about Senior Games which takes place in the Spring. The year 2018 will mark the 30th year of Senior Games. This past year she had over 350 participants. There are numerous sponsors for Senior Games. The Town of Leland was a new sponsor this year and was the location for the SilverArts. Senior Games is more than just sports. It has an artistic portion that has since changed the name from Brunswick County Gator Senior Games to Brunswick County Gator Senior Games and SilverArts. There are over 80 events offered and usually one new sanction event is added every few years. State Finals take place in September. Cheerleading is year-round, as well as golf. Khrystye stated that Laura Botto was one of her cheerleaders and a great athletic.

Khrystye also oversees a program titled Let's Play, which are year-round programs. These include 3 on 3 basketball, coed volleyball, table tennis, softball and cheer. Softball currently has 8 teams that participate.

Mike asked if pickleball at BCC was part of her program. Khrystye indicated that BCC needed to start charging for this program so we had to withdraw since we do not charge. She added that pickleball was the most participated event at Senior Games.

In the Fall, she indicated that she normally plans 4 to 6 trips. Averages 50 to 60 participants per trip. If her budget allowed she stated she could do more.

Khrystye said she loves her job and loves doing different events. She loves doing something different that she facilitates because it challenges her.

Aaron thanked Khrystye and said she does a great job.

VI. Director's Report

- **Update on Smithville Park Project**

Project is well underway. Had a couple of hiccups with storm water pond. Had to get an encroachment permit from P&G Gas to do an easement. Received permit on 6/19/17. Will be running a pipe across easement to pump water to a certain level. Project is projected to be done on time by 4/2/18.

- **Update on Ocean Isle Beach Park**

Aaron answered George Briggs question in regards to why budget added \$750,000 to bidding process at OIB Park. Smithville Project came in at 1 million over and BOC felt with economy changing and cost inflation it would be proactive to add \$750,000 to budget to accommodate for the economy. On 5/19/17 a meeting was held to review 60% site plans. Phase 2 as of now is all to be developed with no extra, no less. Found area to accommodate drainage. Construction for everything is 4.8 million. Within budget, but anything can change. Mid July there will be a meeting to discuss 90% plans and finalize cost.

Mike said no significant scope change with the detail review of plans. They have been quite diligent looking to minimize cost and be more effective. Don't know what bid will be till bid comes in. We are on track for getting everything we want. Aaron said some owner provided stuff brings numbers down. Once review is done at 100% the documents will be put together for bid. Mike asked when is permitting process. Aaron said after bid process. When we have final bid that will be the amount gotten from General Fund.

- **Update on Waccamaw Park**

Building Inspector went out to give CO. Hope to have it by 6/21/17. Grand opening will be set end of July. The Memorial for Pat Purvis Brown is in.

- **Lockwood Folly Park and Northwest Park Playgrounds**

The playground for NWP is completed. Will be taking drone out to get pictures of. LWF playground is underway. Hope to have it completed by mid-July based on the weather.

VII. Comments from Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Members

Mike asked if we knew Danny's status on re-election. Aaron said he and Laura would work on that.

Mike asked if July meeting was still on. Aaron stated it would be cancelled due to the State Tournament.

BOC are to look at approving Danny at 7/17/17 meeting.

Mike asked can you anticipate review of capital funds. Aaron stated after discussion with BOC they have planned on asking Staff to come up with immediate needs then Board approve as opposed to the Board ranking.

Laura said the Advisory Board voted and staff voted, but now Staff will vote and Board approve.

Mike asked about conference. Aaron stated that it was not approved in the budget. Focus this year was on public safety so travel was cut out for Advisory Board Members. George Briggs asked about owner provided items in contracts and what did that mean. Aaron stated it was items that were easier to provide outside of contract.

VIII. Adjourn Meeting

Laura stated meeting was adjourned. No motion to be made since no quorum.

IX. Meeting Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mike Allocco and Laura Botto

Board Members Absent: Dale Rabon, Danny Sellers and Leander Mosley

Staff Members Present: Aaron Perkins, Khrystye Haselden and Tanya Jackson

Citizens of Interest: George Briggs and Beth

Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, August 15, 2017