



**TOWN OF HARRISBURG, NORTH CAROLINA
HARRISBURG TOWN HALL
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**April 17, 2023
6:00 PM**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. AGENDA ADOPTION
- B. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
 - 1. Harrisburg Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee
- C. PUBLIC COMMENT - Anyone wishing to address the Board may do so during the Public Comment section. Please state your name and address for the record, be courteous and do not repeat what has already been said. Please keep your comments about the subject and not personal in nature.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2023 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Advisory Board Goals for 2023

4. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Department Updates:
 - 1. Shawn Marble - Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

5. ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

6. COUNCIL UPDATES

7. ADJOURNMENT

Town of Harrisburg's Vision Statement

Harrisburg will be the best small town in North Carolina based on low density housing, excellent economic opportunities, a safe living environment, and efficient and effective municipal services. Amenities such as excellent recreational programs, adequate open space, attractive shopping opportunities, a diversity of restaurants, and a connected system of roadways, sidewalks, greenways, and bicycle lanes will continue to enhance the quality of life of the Town. These services and amenities will be provided while retaining reasonable tax rates and debt levels.



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Agenda Item Details

Title:

Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2023 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Presenting Personnel:

Suggested Motion or Action:

If approved, Motion to approve minutes from March 20, 2023.

Description/Background:

Recommendation:

Fiscal Impact:

Attachments:

1. Minutes March 20, 2023

MINUTES

Harrisburg Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

March 20, 2023 at 6:03p.m. Meeting called to order in person by Brett Crosby

In Attendance

Courtney HAYNES, Cheryl BAKER, Fred BRILLIANTE, Brett CROSBY

Absent: Mohammed IDLIBI, Hannah BUTLER,

Board Administrators Present: Jim SPINA, Shawn MARBLE

Council Member(s) Present: Altyn COTELL

Planning and Zoning Member(s) Present: None.

Harrisburg Arts, Culture and Heritage (HACH) Member(s) Present: Karen ANDRADE

Agenda Adoption

Motion was made to adopt agenda by Cheryl Baker and seconded by Fred Brilliante. Motion passed unanimously.

Special Presentations/Public Comment

A. HACH – Karen Andrade

- a. This weekend- Art Walk 10am-2pm; Set up starts at 7:30, approx. 37 vendors
- b. Open Mic/Poetry Jam – April 20 -advertising happening now (town website) can fill out application for vetting online. Harris Depot Park Porch 6-7pm -- middle-college age;
- c. Art Scholarship still open – deadline is May 1st.

B. Public Comment

- a. Luisa – longtime resident.
 - i. Concern regarding RRC – methane odors from the dump. Reached out to town of Harrisburg, Concord and Cabarrus County told there was nothing they could do. Reached out to State Dept of Air Quality. As of Feb 28th the site was to address the smell – has 60 days to complete. The town needs to push to better represent their citizens. ALTYN COMMENT: NC Dev. Of Air Quality initiated investigation in February and has to oversee actionable initiatives. Mayor/Town Manager discussed in meeting last week a missing vent at the dump.
 - ii. Would like to see more activities for residents over the age of 55

Approval of Minutes

- A. Motion was made to adopt minutes from February 2023 by Fred Brilliante and seconded by Courtney Haynes. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

- a. Advisory board vacancies and appointments:
 - i. Recap: Mike Thevenin moved to Town Council – P&R advisory board to discuss filling vacancy for duration of his term;
 - ii. Discussion: Linda and Jarrod – Linda on board before, Jarrod new applicant. Motion was made to appoint Linda by Cheryl Baker and seconded by Courtney Haynes. Motion passed unanimously. Recommendation going to council for final vote.

New Business

A. Advisory Board Goals for 2023

- a. Discussion: Mohammed suggested brainstorming ideas for coming year.
 - i. What can we do increase volunteerism for events?
 - ii. Integration of board into execution of RFQ/Master plan.

B. Parks and Recreational Department Updates

a. Administration and Projects

- i. RFQ/Masterplan (10 yr. plan) went out earlier this week — negotiations to follow - should have a response by April 15th. Shawn to give update on feedback next month
- ii. Abernathy resigned – facilities super (Matt Miller) is an interim. Job will be advertised within the next week or so following posting approval.
- iii. Tennis Courts (Stallings)– resurface end of March (weather pending). Pickleball lines added. Will take approx. 2 weeks to complete.

b. Programs & Events

- i. No Tennis classes in April (start back up in May – nearly full)
- ii. Art Walk this weekend (notes above)
- iii. April 1st – Hop to the Movie 5:30 – food, crafts, easter bunny, movie.
- iv. Youth athletics underway (2400 registrants). Games start April 1st.
- v. Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon - May 5th (tentative for now) formal invites to follow for volunteers and their family.
- vi. April 29th – Harrisburg 5K – volunteer spots still available.
- vii. 50th Anniversary Committee – still planning. Drone show approved (in lieu of fireworks).
- viii. Concessions open April 1st. Currently hiring Splash Pad & Concessions Attendant. Must be 16 or older to apply.

Advisory Board Updates

A. Brett Crosby Updates:

- a. Parks & Rec speaking to Rotary Club tomorrow (3/21) at 12noon about Anniversary Celebration @ Rocky River Golf Club
- b. Site Package went out for new YMCA– starting construction by early July.

Council Updates

A. Councilwoman Cotell was present:

- a. Town Council continuing to work on budget – next meeting is March 29th (in person and zoom).
- b. Next Council Meeting will be April 17 (pushed out one week due to spring break).
- c. Unanimously approved - 80K additional funds for youth sports, citing exponential growth.
- d. Ribbon Cutting @ Bubbas Bunkhouse this week.

Adjournment

Motion made to go into closed session by Cheryl Baker and seconded by Fred Brillante.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m., Monday, March 20, 2023.

Next Meeting: tentative meeting on April 17, 2023 in Parks & Recreation Office

Chair

Secretary



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