



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

**February 17, 2025
6:00 PM**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. AGENDA ADOPTION

1. Approval of Minutes from January 27, 2025

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

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Master Plan Updates

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Advisory Board Appointments

B. Department Updates:

- 1) Jim Spina - Parks & Recreation Director
- 2) Shawn Marble - Parks & Recreation Assistant Director

5. ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

6. COUNCIL UPDATES

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vision Statement

Harrisburg will be a distinctive, family-focused community where memories are made.

Mission Statement

Together, we enhance our quality of life by collaborating, planning, and investing to create our community of choice.

MINUTES

Harrisburg Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Monday, January 29, 2025 at 6:05p.m. in Town Chambers. Meeting called to order in person by Cheryl Baker

In Attendance

Present: Cheryl BAKER, Fred BRILLIANTE, Brett CROSBY, Courtney HAYNES, Mohammed IDLIBI, Jim SPINA

Absent: Shawn MARBLE, Micah CASH (HACH), Zach BOWMAN, Hannah BUTLER

Board Administrators Present: NONE

Council Member(s) Present: Chris FAW

Planning and Zoning Member(s) Present: NONE.

Harrisburg Arts, Culture and Heritage (HACH) Member(s) Present: NONE.

Agenda Adoption

Motion was made to adopt agenda as prepared by Mohammed Idlibi; Seconded by Courtney Haynes – all in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Special Presentations/Public Comment

A. HACH – Micah Cash absent.

- 1) JIM – scholarship information will go out within the next month. They are also working on beautification planning for roundabout at Stallings (near elementary). Micah and two other team members formed a subcommittee to develop ideals and determine estimated budget for the project. (Ideally something that will be easily maintained by town).
 - a. MOHAMMED: art feeds quality of life and given Harrisburg's stance in Cabarrus Co. it really is something that we are mindful of and push to further develop – it will only enhance the quality of life for current/future residents. Whatever art we do come up with, keep it neutral that it appeases everyone in community and not geared toward any one person/group. Ex. a decorative fountain.

B. Public Comment:

- 1) NONE.

Approval of Minutes

- A. Motion was made to adopt minutes from November 2024 by Brett Crosby, seconded by Mohammed Idlibi. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

A. JIM: Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update:

- 1) Pharr Mill – surveys have not happened, delayed due to recent weather, but they’re working on finalizing now. Determining what can be done with land/easements and what can be done with the space we own.
- 2) Master Plan Update – being folded into CIP now so we can work alongside town/council to start rolling out what we want, when, costs, etc. LAND BANKING IS KEY. Currently looking into/planning for Peach Orchard Road housing development (high priority land area as deemed by MP) is donating 21 acres (soccer fields, parking, bathrooms). Hoping to possibly purchase land that backs it and further develop to create a larger park.

New Business

A. JIM - P&R Department Updates:

- 1) Basketball in middle of season – loss of days with school closures/weather
- 2) Spring registration is over – late registrants accepted until Sunday, Feb 2nd (currently registrations down about 100 from last year) start is mid-March
- 3) Staff planning – hoping to promote a park maintenance employee to more of an exclusive mechanic/equipment maintenance position. Also seeking another grounds/maintenance position (possibly teams of 3 (currently either 1 or 2 depending on park). Also working to add two (2) part-time staff to assist with events (both set up/execution, maintenance, etc.)
- 4) Moving Art Walk to Main Street this year. Planning still in development.
- 5) General Maintenance Update– signage work and grounds maintenance underway now. Gearing up for spring.

B. MOHAMMED: has our farmers market dissipated?

- 1) JIM – yes but we are working on making it more accessible and bringing it to town center. Development is ongoing but part of the plan to build up main street/town center.

Advisory Board Updates

- A. BRETT – YMCA Update: Roof is finishing now. Should be opening in August (slight delay due to weather in December/January). Everything is really moving along. Also, Run the Burg – April 26th.

Council Updates – Chris FAW

- A. CHRIS – no updates. Everything has already been addressed in this meeting.

Adjournment

Motion made to go into closed session by Courtney Haynes and seconded by Mohammed Idlibi.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm, Monday, January 27, 2024.

Next Meeting: meeting on Monday, February 17, 2024 at 6pm in Town Chambers



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Agenda Item Details

Title:

Master Plan Updates

Presenting Personnel:

Suggested Motion or Action:

Description/Background:

Recommendation:

Fiscal Impact:

Attachments:

None



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