

Henderson County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 12th, 2019, 12pm, AAC

In attendance: Hunter Marks, Corum Smith, Scott Rhodes, Phillip Ellis, Jennifer Hensley, Terry Maybin, Tricia King, Katie Breckheimer, Ralph King, and Tommy Laughter.

Staff present: Casey Conner, Erin Hendrix, Jason Kilgore, Autumn Radcliff, and Carleen Dixon.

Meeting called to order at 12:08pm. Minutes taken by Erin Hendrix

Hunter makes a motion to approve minutes from January, Katie seconds. Approved by all.

Public Input

Dennis Justice suggests that PARTF be applied for and used for covered pickleball courts.

What's Happening in Parks - Jason Kilgore

Jason gives an update on fields and park status and the struggles with water, rain and limited staffing.

Budget Presentation Update - Carleen Dixon

Carleen reminds the board of the items on the four-year budget plan that recently went to the Board of Commissioners. The budget focuses on needs, not new

items, but upgrades for ADA access, safety concerns, and outdated structures. Tricia asks about the railing around the AAC turf field stairs. Carleen answers that the Parks maintenance staff will be installing that themselves as soon as we have dry weather. Katie asks if every department has been asked to do a four-year budget. Carleen answers that yes, they have been. Katie asks when the Greenways Master Plan will go before the Board of Commissioners for approval. Autumn says that it was a topic of discussion at the last meeting, so it is on their minds, but that they are focused on the county budget currently.

Needs Assessment Update - Carleen Dixon

Carleen presents four sample surveys for feedback on potential questions for the upcoming ETC survey for our needs assessment. Carleen asks for feedback on each survey for questions and subject matter that the Advisory Board would like to make sure is included in our survey. Jenn asks about the public input meets that we had and if those could be used for our needs assessment. No, Carleen clarifies, those meetings were Jackson-park specific and were only for PARTF. Phillip expresses that he and Jenn would still like to apply for PARTF for Jackson Park.

The board then gets into a discussion about ways to support the Greenway Master Plan and recommend it to the Board of Commissioners. It was noted that they have already made a formal recommendation to the Board of Commissioners to adopt the plan, it is just a matter of time until it appears on the agenda for the Board to Review. Staff noted that they will keep the Recreation Advisory Board informed of when this might happen.

Advisory Board Parks Tour - Erin Hendrix

Erin presents the idea to take the Advisory Board to parks and facilities to see and discuss the issues and plans that have been presented to the board in the past. Jenn says that the Advisory Board should be out and active in the community on a regular basis and that they should not need to participate in a group outing. Carleen clarifies that the outing is not mandatory but is a great opportunity to look at the parks with a little different view. Tricia and Katie express interest in seeing parks with staff. Hunter asks if staff can assemble a list of issues for each park that the board could investigate on their own. Autumn suggests highlighting a different park each month so that the board knows where to focus attention. Terry agrees and suggests adopting both Hunter and Autumn's suggestions.

Member Comments:

None

Motions:

Hunter makes a motion to approve minutes from January, Katie seconds. Approved by all.

Hunter makes a motion to adjourn, Katie seconds. Meeting adjourned at 1:18pm