

FAUQUIER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD WORK SESSION
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 - 6:00 P.M.
CM CROCKETT PARK
10066 Rogues Road - Midland, VA

Notes

Members Present: Chairman Donald P. Johnson Jr.
Vice Chairman David Graham Jr.
Carl Bailey
John Wright

Members Absent: Treasurer Clayton Lescalleet

Also Present: Director Gary Rzepecki, Michael Hanson, Superintendent of Projects and Planning

Mr. Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Johnson moved and Mr. Graham seconded approval of the agenda. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Chairman Johnson, seconded by Mr. Graham, the Board approved the items listed below by unanimous voice vote.

Minutes of previous meetings: The Board approved the minutes from the regular Board Meeting and Work Session of August 7, 2019 Board Meeting

REPORTS

Hall of Honor - Chairman Johnson stated that the Committee has been working on updating this policy to incorporate a multi-tier approach for naming rights. Naming of an entire facility should be used on a very restrictive basis (i.e. naming Vint Hill Village Green or Northern Fauquier Community Park which incorporates the locality into the name). Within a complex are major elements of the facility that will be named by the Board of Supervisors (i.e. Larry Weeks Community Pool). A third level are for naming rights smaller elements, to be determined by the Parks & Recreation Department, which would include naming individual or grouping of fields (i.e. a section of rectangular fields at the Central Fauquier Sports Complex).

It was noted that the change in policy is getting away from the required 51% donation (cost to build) of an entire facility's value and more toward revenue generation with respect for paying for fields.

Mr. Bailey asked the Board to consider naming rights to those in the community who would fit in the third tier category who have supported programs voluntarily. Mr. Johnson indicated that he thought that would work within the policy (i.e. time, in-kind donations, and contributions to a specific part of the community)

ACTION ITEMS

FY21 and FY22 Operating Enhancement Requests

Two members submitted rankings for the FY21 & FY22 Operating Enhancements Requests. Director Rzepecki commented that there is a Cost of Living Allowance for staff, steps (years) two and three of compression study, and other contractual obligations being put forth to the Budget Office in addition to staff requests (see handout). Mr. Graham stated that the schools are discussing use of trustees, under supervision, are being considered for mowing facilities but conversations are ongoing. This may be something the Department can take advantage of to reduce costs.

BALLFIELD LIGHTING

The Board discussed the conditions of light poles noting that Warrenton Middle School field is the most used. Cedar Lee Middle School (CLMS) light poles are the least used and in good shape, rated to withstand 80+ mph wind speeds. W.G. Coleman Middle School light poles are in bad shape and there is concern that if the poles are removed, the public would not want them replaced.

Director Rzepecki advised the Board that the current cost to repair CLMS light poles is about \$54,000 and will require three more improvement phases which will place the maintenance cost at about half of the cost of replacement. Mr. Rzepecki expects to receive estimated cost for removal of the light poles September 5th and replacement costs for poles at Warrenton Middle School and Vint Hill by September 6th. Funds will come out of the Comprehensive Maintenance Program and include improved LED lighting as well as metal poles in lieu of wooden.

Chairman Johnson moved to remove the light poles and associated electrical infrastructure at W.G Coleman Elementary, Cedar Lee Middle School, Warrenton Middle School and Vint Hill Park fields after the fall sports season, and begin the planning phase to replace the ballfield lights at Warrenton Middle School and Vint Hill Park with LED lights. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion unanimously failed.

Mr. Graham suggested keeping the lights at Cedar Lee while the other two fields in provide one lit field.

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Mr. Johnson reiterated that this will preserve the light poles at CLMS until the other light poles can be replaced after which a determination of what to do with the light poles at CLMS will be made. Mr. Graham indicated that the School Building Committee, which meets on September

26, will need to approve the recommendation to removal the light poles at Coleman Elementary School and to replace at Warrenton Middle School.

Information Items

July Facility Counts

The Board received facility counts for the month of July 2019

Community Development Plans Reviewed August 2019

The Board received plans reviewed by the Director and staff in August 2019.

FY21 and FY22 Contractual Operating Increases

Mr. Bailey will submit pages 1-2 of the rankings worksheet. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Graham indicated they had submitted their rankings which were not included in the handout. Staff will incorporate these rankings and compile for a final report.

BOARD TIME

There were no comments from the Board.

CLOSED SESSION - There was none.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:22p.m.

Donald P. Johnson, Jr. Chairman
Parks and Recreation Board

Date