The Henry County Recreation Board held their public meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at Heritage Park. The media was notified of this meeting. Notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Heritage Park Recreation Office. Terry Sanders called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Those present were:

Tommy Mitchell, District I, Vice-Chairman
Dan Judson, District II
David Wilkerson, District III
Terry Sanders, District IV, Chairman
Eugene Edwards, District V

Also attending were Staff: Tim Coley, Kenny R. Morris, Donna Holder, Brandi Dailey, Chris and Ms. Murphy (The Generals Youth Football), Adrienne Cooper (North Henry Youth Football and Cheer Treasurer) and Chris Williams (North Henry Youth Football and Cheer).

Motion was made by Dan Judson to approve the agenda. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Motion was made by Tommy Mitchell to approve minutes from last meeting held on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business:

Requests to serve alcoholic beverages:

Diane Spears request to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on August 6, 2016 for a Wedding. David Wilkerson made a motion to approve the request. Tommy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ashley Wilson requests to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on June 25, 2016 for a Wedding. Eugene Edwards made a motion to approve the request. The motion passed.

Requests to reduce fees:

Eric Daugherty of Union Grove High School, request reduced rates at Nash Farm Park for the Battle of Atlanta High School Cross-Country Meet on August 27, 2016. They agree to provide a 30’ commercial dumpster for trash. All proceeds get divided between Locust Grove High School, Eagles Landing High School and Union Grove High School. Dan Judson made a motion to approve the request. Tommy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Golf Course
Tim Coley stated the County is considering Parks and Recreation Department manage The Cotton Fields Golf Course that Henry County purchased in 2007 for possible expansion. SM currently manage Cotton Fields. SM will step down from running the golf course on June 30, 2016. Due to the economic downturn, the current loan balance and what the course was purchased for, it is not economically feasible to sell the golf course at this time. The Recreation Board could oversee The Cotton Fields Golf Course operations. The Commissioners meet tonight to discuss the future of the golf course. The revenue figures from last year are not conclusive due to the fact that the course was shut down for two months to replace the greens. Tim stated he is working on proposals for staffing and maintenance plans.

Field Rental Pricing

Tim reported that a gentleman was upset that he was charged a $7 gate fee for an All-Star tournament that had no entry fees for teams. Tim met with the Tournament Director and his budget was $15,000. Commissioner Barham met with them concerning the issue. Tim is conducting a survey to bring back to the Board. Umpire bills are in line with surrounding areas.

Old Business:

Public Comments:

Department Report:

Tim stated no fireworks will occur at Nash Farm this year. Instead the fireworks will take place at Richard Craig Park in McDonough. The Annual Firecracker 5k/10k Road Race will still take place at Nash Farm.

There was an issue with a background check.

Park Report:

The County will do a ribbon cutting late July or early August for the Bud Kelley Park grand opening. Hampton Senior/Recreation Center is framed up and almost ready for brick. The utilities for Fairview Park are being relocated.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dan Judson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Tommy Mitchell. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Donna Holder, Executive Assistant II Date of approval