

**Henry County Recreation Board**  
**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

The Henry County Recreation Board held their public meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, 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 9:05 a.m.

**Those present were:**

John Dewberry, Jr., District I  
Wayne Swanson, District II  
David Wilkerson, District III, Vice-Chairman  
Terry Sanders, District IV, Chairman  
Jonathan F. Buck, District V

Also attending: Tyron and Bea Williams (Ga Elite Football), Aaron Bolden (Ellenwood Bruce Holmes), Chris Williams (North Henry Football) and Staff: Tim Coley, Rod Gray, John Bailey and Donna Holder.

Motion was made by Wayne Swanson to approve the agenda. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed. Chris Colemanero could not be present to discuss the Skateboard Park.

Motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve minutes from last meeting held on **Tuesday, April 17, 2018**. Wayne Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Requests to serve alcoholic beverages:**

Lynn Davis request to serve alcohol on 5/26/2018 for a retirement party at the Nash Farm Park Carriage House. A motion was made by Wayne Swanson to approve the request. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Penni Laverty request to serve alcohol on 5/19/2018 for a graduation party at Cotton Fields Golf Club. A motion was made by Wayne Swanson to approve the request. Jonathan Buck seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Leigh Evans request to serve alcohol on 6/9/2018 for a retirement party at Cotton Fields Golf Club. A motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve the request. Wayne Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Requests to reduce fees:**

Carla Brown request reduced County Employee rates on 5/25/2018 for a graduation party at Nash Farm Park Carriage House. A motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve the request. Wayne Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Carla Brown request reduced County Employee rates on 5/27/2018 for a graduation luncheon at Nash Farm Park Carriage House. A motion was made by Wayne Swanson to approve the request. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Leigh and Greg Evans request reduced County Employee rates on 6/9/2018 for a retirement party at Cotton Fields Golf Club. A motion was made by John Dewberry Jr. to approve the request. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Jeff Scott request reduced rates on 9/13/2018 for a Sportsman's Fundraiser Banquet at the Locust Grove Event Center. A motion was made by Wayne Swanson to approve the request. John Dewberry Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Jean Kykes, of Henry County Farm Bureau, request reduced rates on 8/27/2018 for a Farmer's Appreciation Dinner at the Locust Grove Event Center. A motion was made by John Dewberry, Jr. to approve the request. Wayne Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **New Business:**

Jonathan Buck stated that water balloons are clogging up the filters at the Village Park Splash Pad. The fountains and shower are shut down often due to the water balloons. The County is finding a funding source to resurface the fountain area.

### **Old Business:**

### **Department Reports:**

Rod Gray stated the County is getting more requests for specific maintenance in specific parks. He asked for the Board's support because we have staff issues. The County Management team has tasked Kenny, Tim and Rod to assist with developing a system to keep the parks where they need to be. They will disseminate the plan to the Board to address with their Commissioner. The plan will maximize efficiency and minimize budget dollars. The proposed park maintenance plan will group parks by geographical locations not Districts. A contractor will take over the medians on Jonesboro Road. Stormwater and Facilities Maintenance Departments will assist with some park improvement projects like Mickie D. Cochran Park.

### **Public Comments:**

Tyron and Bea Williams, Georgia Elite, addressed the Board. He sent out a survey and discussed the results. A disgruntled set of parents left Georgia Elite after several infractions and wanted to return to Georgia Elite. Georgia Elite's Board is addressing the request.

Aaron Williams, Bruce Holmes Association, stated that a coach has a history of going to four parks in four different years and has a negative experience with each association. The Board would like to know if he broke the coach's code of conduct.

Rod stated the County needs to enhance our relationships with the Associations and ask for more accountability from Associations while the County offers more assistance and education. The Coaches Code of Conduct needs modification to include social media expectations of coaches.

Chris Williams, North Henry Football, addressed the Board.

John Bailey, staff, addressed the board about food truck policies for Village Park. The County advised that in unincorporated Henry County like Village Park, they have to have a Henry County Mobile Business License and meet Health Department Safe Serve requirements. We can limit access of food trucks and location in the park.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by John Dewberry, Jr. to adjourn the meeting. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

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Donna Holder, Executive Assistant II

Date of approval