

**Henry County Recreation Board**  
**Tuesday, July 19, 2016**

The Henry County Recreation Board held their public meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2016, at Heritage Park. The media was notified of this meeting. Notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Heritage Park Recreation Office. Tommy Mitchell called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**Those present were:**

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

Also attending were Staff: Tim Coley, Kenny R. Morris, Donna Holder, Brandi Dailey, Keni Bishop, Vincent Miller, Tyron Williams (Georgia Elite Football), Albert Ott (McDonough Football), and Lenard Harris (Stockbridge Generals Football).

Motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve the agenda. Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Motion was made by Dan Judson to approve minutes from last meeting held on **Tuesday, June 21, 2016 and a called meeting on Wednesday, June 29, 2016**. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Requests to serve alcoholic beverages:**

A motion was made by Dan Judson to approve Nicole Perkins' request to serve alcohol at Nash Farm Park on 8-20-16 for a wedding. Tommy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve Monique East's request to serve alcohol at the Locust Grove Event Center on 9-17-16 for a wedding reception. Tommy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve Alejandra Magana's request to serve alcohol at the Locust Grove Event Center on 7-23-16 for a Quinceanera. Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Tommy Mitchell to approve Steven Gillespie's request to serve alcoholic beverages at Nash Farm Park for a wedding on 8-7-16. Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Requests to reduce fees:**

A motion was made by David Wilkerson to approve David Cannon's request for reduced fees suggested by staff for the Locust Grove Event Center on 4-22-17 for a fashion show fundraiser to benefit Piedmont Henry Auxiliary. Dan Judson seconded the request. The motion passed.

## Nash Farm Park

Keni Bishop addressed the board regarding increasing rental prices for Nash Farm Park. The grounds have to be maintained for outdoor weddings. We have additional costs for utilities and repair of tables and chairs, etc. Most of the time we can only rent one facility during an outside wedding because the buildings are so close together. We are proposing rental of both facilities if they are having a wedding and want exclusive use of the rental facilities and do not want the other venue rented out. We are way below what other venues are charging for similar facilities. We need to start charging and use facility attendants like the other HCPRD rental facilities. Two local venues similar to Nash Farm charge \$3,500 - \$4,000 per day.

Current prices at Nash Farm are:

Activity Barn rents for \$300 and Carriage House 16 hours (8a-12p) \$300.

Both have additional charges: \$300 refundable clean up and damage deposit; Chairs \$100; Outdoor wedding venue area \$100.

David Wilkerson made a motion and amended the motion to approve the following prices for Nash Farm Park rentals:

<b>ACTIVITY BARN @ NASH FARM PARK</b>	
10 Hours	\$500
Staff Fee [1 Hour Before/During/1 Hour After]	\$180
Clean-Up Damage Deposit [Refundable]	\$300
Outside Arbor Wedding Venue	\$100
Additional Hours	\$115 Per Hour

<b>CARRIAGE HOUSE @ NASH FARM PARK</b>	
10 Hours	\$400
Staff Fee [1 Hour Before/During/1 Hour After]	\$180
Clean-Up Damage Deposit [Refundable]	\$300
Outside Arbor Wedding Venue	\$100
Additional Hours	\$115 Per Hour

<b>ACTIVITY BARN &amp; CARRIAGE HOUSE @ NASH FARM PARK</b>	
10 Hours	\$1,000
Staff Fee [1 Hour Before/During/1 Hour After]	\$ -0-
Outside Wedding Venues	\$ -0-
Clean-Up/Damage Deposit [Refundable]	\$300
Additional Hours	\$115 Per Hour

Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **The Cotton Fields Golf Club Pavilion**

Previous management rented the Cotton Fields Pavilion facility for \$1,000 per day with no deposits. Due to parking, the pavilion could not be utilized by guests until after a certain time when the golfers exit the facility. The kitchen fee was discussed. LGEC Charges for the kitchen if someone is using it that is not an insured caterer.

David Wilkerson made a motion and amended the motion to approve the following prices for The Cotton Fields Golf Club Pavilion:

<b>THE COTTON FIELDS GOLF CLUB PAVILION</b>	
Each Hour [4 Hour Minimum]	\$100 Per Hour
Staff Fee [1 Hour Before/During/1 Hour After]	\$15 Per Hour
Outside Wedding Venue	\$ -0-
Clean-Up/Damage Deposit [Refundable]	\$300

Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **Youth Football Coaches**

Ms. Jones requested a meeting with Albert Ott at Avalon Park late one evening. A former MYA youth football coach (Darryl Heflin) and MYA football board member (Albert Ott) were in an altercation at Avalon Park. After Tim Coley obtained a police report, only one person was charged with disorderly conduct resulting from the altercation between Albert Ott and Darryl Heflin. Ms. Jones did not follow up and fill out a statement for the police report. Neither person was charged. The gun charge was dropped. Albert Ott received a ticket/citation for disorderly conduct not a felony charge. Albert Ott does have a team to coach with MYA. His court date is 8-3-2016. Albert Ott stated that only he, Darryl Heflin, Ms. Jones and later Albert Ott's wife were involved and no children that he saw but he said Ms. Jones later stated her child was in the car. Vince Miller, youth football liaison, addressed the board.

Vince Miller stated that Darryl Heflin was relieved from coaching by MYA football. Darryl Heflin was not removed from MYA coaching due to a disciplinary action. If a coach is removed due to a disciplinary action and a coach tries to move to another association, it is not allowed. Darryl Heflin was not selected to coach for MYA prior to the incident. Albert did not handle a confrontation in a professional manner nor at the right time of day. Darryl Heflin was not a coach at the park but at the time of the incident, there was no reason Darryl Heflin could not be at the park. Mr. Heflin was released as a coach for MYA on May or June 2016 and went to coach at North Henry. Albert is currently suspended from coaching by the Rec Board pending a police investigation results. Albert stated he has learned his lesson. Dan Judson made a motion and amended the motion to change Albert from suspension to probation for 5 years. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **Old Business:**

## **Public Comments:**

Tyron Williams stated that Georgia Elite is the largest association in the NFL flag football league. They are giving out a scholarship for college. They will have their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual health fair at Grace Baptist Church. They are thankful for all the assistance they have received from the County,

**Department Report:****Park Report:**

August date will be announced for grand opening of Bud Kelley Park. Cotton Fields is improving every week. The management is gone next Tuesday and we have advertised for a Superintendent. The fairways were in poor condition but park maintenance has done a lot of improvements like irrigation repairs and the greens are improving. Half month report was \$24,000. Lease of new golf carts and equipment is on the commissioner's meeting agenda for approval tonight.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Tommy Mitchell to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by David Wilkerson. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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Donna Holder, Executive Assistant II

Date of approval