

Henry County Recreation Board
Tuesday, August 16, 2016

The Henry County Recreation Board held their public meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 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 9:03 a.m. Terry Sanders arrived shortly after and chaired the meeting.

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 Chris Williams (North Henry Football), Chris Murphy, (The Generals Football) and Staff: Tim Coley, Donna Holder, and Brandi Dailey.

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

Motion was made by Tommy Mitchell to approve minutes from last meeting held on **Tuesday, July 19, 2016**. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business:

Requests to serve alcoholic beverages:

David Wilkerson made a motion to approve Tierica Terry's request to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on 9-4-16 for a wedding. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tommy Mitchell made a motion to approve Vanessa Woodard's request to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on 8-27-16 for a wedding. Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Eugene Edwards made a motion to approve Chadreck Morgan's request to serve alcoholic beverages at the Locust Grove Event Center on 10-1-16 for a wedding. Tommy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Requests to reduce fees:

David Wilkerson made a motion to approve Lynne Connelly's (Union Grove High School Special Education Teacher) request for reduced fees for Saturday, 11-5-16 or Sunday at the Locust Grove Event Center for a 10 Year Anniversary Banquet for the Special Needs Flag Football and Cheerleading program. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tommy Mitchell made a motion to approve Kevin Garrison's request for reduced fees on 9-11-16 at the Jason T. Harper Event Center for the Southside Baptist Network and a number of Henry County Churches to sponsor a prayer event called "Cry Out America." Dan Judson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dan Judson made a motion to approve Melena Gooch's request for reduced rates on 11-12-16 at the Cotton Fields Golf Club Pavilion for a Marine Corps Ball Fundraiser. David Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Old Business:

Tim Coley stated Reverend Hilton Morgan had approached him requesting to offer a program at the Locust Grove Recreation Center to prevent civil unrest with the City of Locust Grove Police. He wants to use the center more which would affect membership usage of the facility. The Board did not have enough information about the request and took no action.

The Board discussed Recreation Gym Memberships Guest Passes and staff recommendations. The trial period has ended. David Wilkerson made a motion to keep the Recreation Gym Memberships Guest Passes as is. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Comments:

Department Report:

The golf course is doing well. We did \$40,000 in July, which was a 12% to 15% increase. Kenny and his guys helped get the facility back into shape. The Superintendent has not been hired yet. We have booked several tournaments. David Wilkerson asked if Chris Busbee had been paid. Chris was the consultant/acting golf pro and he has not been paid. \$1,000 month was discussed. Mr. Busbee bought in superintendents and contacts in the golf industry and was instrumental in soil tests and obtaining golf carts.

David Wilkerson made a motion to recommend repairs be made to the golf facility and that Consultant Chris Busbee be paid from the capital projects or non-capital projects funds that the Management group from the Golf Course may have forfeited due to repairs that should have been made to the facility and were not completed. Eugene Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tim put a bid in for a girl's fast pitch softball tournament.

Park Report:

A tree fell through the one of the caretaker rental houses at Hidden Valley Park. The cost to repair the roof is more than the house is worth. The Fire Department will train, burn the house and haul off the debris.

The former Fairview Activity Center on Fairview Road flooded when people stole pipes from the facility. The building has several issues. The Fire Department will tear down that building but keep the garage in the back of the facility.

Hidden Valley Tennis Courts resurface project low bidder went out of business. There is no warranty on the work. We cannot reach anyone with the company. Eugene Edwards requested to use the park custodial funds to redo poor work to resurface the tennis courts at Hidden Valley Park.

Mr. Edwards stated Fairview Recreation Center has a rise in the floor and the floor has buckled due to a roof leak. Bike #2 needs to be repaired. Mr. Edwards would like the white equipment taken out of the Fairview Recreation Center gym. He also stated that there is mud on the asphalt at the Hidden Valley Park Pavilion where the road splits off and the dumpsters are located.

Tim will check on DOT's asphalt schedule.

Cochran Park lights will be bid out first and then any funds left over can be used for fencing. The lights cannot be done until the season ends.

Mickie D. Cochran Park has a game on the 20th. The new scoreboard should be up.

Adjournment

A motion was made by David Wilkerson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Eugene Edwards. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Donna Holder, Executive Assistant II

Date of approval