

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

February 19, 2020

Members Attending

RJ Hogan – Chair
Shirin Jenkins – Co-Chair
Emily Morgan
Erika Robertson
Zach Gilbert
Ingrid Corbi
Andy McGlenn
Megan Mullins

Members Absent:

Charles Rodstrom

Others Present:

Davina Bell
Margaret Isbell – Admin

Joint meeting between City of Wilmington Parks & Recreation and New Hanover County Parks Advisory Board

CALLED THE CITY OF WILMINGTON MEETING TO ORDER

RJ called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2020 MINUTES – CITY OF WILMINGTON ONLY

Andy made a motion to approve the January 2020 minutes, Shirin seconded the motion, all approved.

COW PARKS & RECREATION UPDATES

NORTH WATER FRONT PARK

Construction has begun, with an estimated completion in date in 2021. Full concert season should begin in 2021.

SKATE PARK

The new ramp was completed on January 21st and includes a mini half pipe, with spine ramp and speed bump. This was designed for both skateboarding and BMX. The next phase is to install a water fountain, shade canopy and to repair the fence surrounding the skate park.

GYMS AT MAIDES & MLK CENTER

After assessing the MLK gym as a candidate for a project to be built to withstand category five winds, a determination was made to proceed with requesting a cost estimate to design as originally scoped with an alternate design for a public safety building standard. After reviewing cost estimates, staff has directed the consultant to proceed with the original scope of work. Construction documents have been submitted to purchasing for the gym at Maides Park.

PORTIA MILLS HINES PARK

Basketball courts have been painted with new nets installed. The basketball courts have also been seal coated, event scheduling signs have been installed. The conceptual design has been completed and design development is underway. The next step is to hold a public meeting to display the current conceptual design to the public. A total of \$725,300 has been funded to complete this project.

SPORTS COMPLEX

City staff met with the design team to review the project cost estimate in order to get clarification and have questions answered about line items. The design team will be writing out the specs for the city to put the request out to bid. Site grading plans will be shared with the city before meeting with NHC and CFPUA.

MUNI

Golf course construction documents have been submitted to purchasing.

WADE PARK

The demolition of the building, site graded and seeding has been completed. The bid package for the playground improvements has begun. This will include installation of a boarder around the existing playground and a new swing set. These were requested by the public.

EMPIE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The playground at Empie Park is now open. These improvements included the additional of adaptive surfacing, ADA play components and multiple ADA connections to the current playground. These improvements were funded by the city's Capital Improvement Program, PARTF Grant, Friends of Empie, GWTA and the Parks Capital Account.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY PARKS & GARDENS UPDATES

Tara updated the board on the various projects that New Hanover County are working on.

ADJOURNMENT

RJ made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ingrid made the first motion to adjourn, Zach seconded, all approved.