



PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 15th, 2023, 5:30PM

401 S. 8th St., Martin Luther King Center

Call to Order Chair: Terry Smith
Vice Chair: Ron Woodruff

Staff Liaison: Amy Beatty, Community Services Director, Sally Thigpen Assistant Director

Public comment period (3 minutes)

Approval of October 2023 minutes

Guest staff speaker: Sally Thigpen- AD to present Riverwalk Extension Feasibility Study findings.

Old Business

- Greenfield Lake Masterplan review- internal staff review continues
- By laws update- staff continue internal review
- Trends in parks and recreation from Comprehensive Plan and public input.
[638063720211430000 \(wilmingtonnc.gov\)](https://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/638063720211430000) see page 4-9.
- Pickleball amenities

New Business

Committee Reports

- Parks & Greenway Committee – Ron Woodruff, Committee Chair
 - Adopt-a-Park initiative update
- By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee – Zach Gilbert, Committee Chair

Chair's Report

- Terry Smith

Staff Report

[Holiday Events! | City of Wilmington, NC \(wilmingtonnc.gov\)](https://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/holiday-events)

- Friday November 24th DBA Holiday Tree Lighting corner of Market St. and Water St.
- Thursday November 30th Riverfront Park tree lighting and family event, Santa.



- Holiday Parade December 3rd at 6pm downtown. Staff are looking for 3 volunteers to serve as judges for the winning parade floats. Please arrive at 5:45. The parade starts at 6pm and lasts about 1 hour.

Staff Report continued

Recreation Team is looking for volunteers!

- Friday, 11/17: Kids Night Out at Maides Park from 5PM – 8PM
 - If interested in volunteering, please contact Blair Houtz, blair.houtz@wilmingtonnc.gov
- Saturday, 12/2: Adaptive Sports Day at Robert Strange Park from 10:30AM – 2PM
 - If interested in volunteering, please contact Abby Smith, abby.smith@wilmingtonnc.gov

No meeting in December- would the Board like to meet for a holiday gathering?

Board Member Round Table

Adjournment

- **Next Meeting: January 17th, 5:30PM TBD**



**Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
Current Membership Contact Information 2023**

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