



Park Advisory Board Meeting Minutes August 16th, 2023

Call to order:

The recent Park Advisory Board Meeting was held on August 16th, 2023, at the Belle Johnston Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:08pm by Christine Turner and seconded by Randy Brantley. Amy Smith was introduced as the newest member to the board. She lives in the McCullough neighborhood.

Attendees

Matthew Jakubowski (Staff)

Randy Brantley

Yvette Isaacs

Erin Hamilton (Staff)

James Dinkler

Stacy Shatterly

Christine Turner (Chair)

Lorraine Haynes

Amy Smith

Public Comment: None

New Business

Approval of minutes:

- i. Randy made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 17th, 2023 meeting. Motion approved and seconded by Lorraine Haynes, ayes by all.

Director Updates:

- i. Fitness Court Update: Matt has a meeting today on the fitness court. Mecklenburg County hasn't sent the contract over for approval yet. We have no timeline because of waiting on contract. We will start the bid process when we receive the contract.
- ii. Pickleball Courts: The funds for the outdoor pickleball courts are being reallocated for the Cone Mill Memorial.
- iii. Splash Pad feature: The flower feature broke. We got a new Pine tree feature and will be installed in August.
- iv. McCullough greenway update: the bid process started a month ago. Bids are due August 24th. Hopefully, town council can vote on the bids in the September meeting. We need three contractor bids. We hope construction can start by November.
- v. Jack Hughes Feasibility Study: Handout of the Kimley Horn design was handed out to the board. Only 30-35 acres of the 70 acres are usable, the rest are flood plains. The multipurpose fields will be high school equivalent and synthetic turf. The baseball field would be equivalent to our current field 4. This design would add 350 more parking spaces.
 - Christine asked about the possibility of a track around one of the multipurpose fields.
 - Randy asked about a parking deck. It would be too expensive and not at a park.
 - Christine asked about how we decide which fields we want. Multipurpose vs. Baseball fields. Maybe change the baseball field to another multipurpose field and track around it. A track could

be good for girls on the run and programs like that. Not a lot of public tracks are available. Any suggested cross country could also use a track.

- **6 of 7 board members who were present agreed that the idea of adding another multipurpose field/track in place of the baseball field would be more useful.**
- vi. Athletic Update: Erin handed out a description of athletic registrations for the board to see the growth of every program.
 - vii. Pineville 4 Miler is on September 23rd. We have a new sponsor, Dr. Douglas Geiger who owns Pineville Dentist. As of today, we have about 50 registrations. Erin is going to email blast the race and we are posting on all our social media. We do need volunteers for water stations and course monitors. Matt asks the board if anyone is interested in helping at the event. We will have rewards after the race. Start 2 Finish is the management company of the race.
 - Lorraine asked if there would be a warmup before the race. There will not be.
 - viii. Fall Fest Rundown: Handout given to board.
 - Yvette asked about tables for concerts, we will have tables out.
 - We will get shuttle signs for Shuttle Stop 1, Shuttle Stop 2, Shuttle Stop 3 to help limit confusion. We will also label the buses with 1, 2, 3.
 - Lorraine asked about the smell behind the fields that was so bad last year. We will get with Public Works to eliminate the odors.

PPRAB Vacancies and Appointments:

- i. The PPRAB currently has 9 of 9 positions filled! The board is currently at full membership.

PPRAB Member Reports

- i. Community Engagements:
- ii. Resident concerns/suggestions:
 - a. James brought up that he has seen atvs/dirt bikes on the greenway. Matt is going to let the police know.
 - b. Christine suggested a pollinator being constructed at Lake Park. Helps bring butterflies. Her daughter is interested in helping.

Park and Recreation Department: Upcoming Events/Programs

- i. Music on Main: Christine brought up that it has been very hot and not many people attend. We are going to start it earlier in April next year and on Thursdays. We will start providing a tent since the entertainers are performing in the sun. We are hoping once the social district is approved it will invite a larger crowd.
- ii. Rock'n & Reel'n: We have two more movies on August 25th (Dog) and September 22nd (Lightyear). We have one more concert on September 8th (New Local).

Old Business - None

Open Discussion/Suggestions/Future Initiatives

- Stacy asked if there is a Blue Ways update. There is a committee tasked with finding launch sites for these blue ways. The ideal spot could be the McCullough bridge from the McCullough greenway. It's a possibility. Town of Pineville will not fund it.
- Yvette asked about spraying the front lawn where Music on Main is. Mosquitos have been bad.

Schedule of Upcoming PPRAB Meetings: November 15th – Will schedule 2024 dates in November meeting.

Adjourn – Christine made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Yvette seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:19pm.

Pineville Youth Athletics

Sport	Season	Total Registered	Pineville Residents	Non-Residents	% Pineville Residents
NOTHING 2015					
Soccer	Spring 2016	60	35	25	58%
Soccer	Fall 2016	34	22	12	64%
Soccer	Spring 2017	57	29	28	51%
2017 No Fall Soccer due to low signups (only 16 total)					
Soccer	Spring 2018	57	29	28	51%
Soccer	Fall 2018	26	18	8	69%
Soccer	Spring 2019	59	28	31	47%
Soccer	Fall 2019	51	25	26	49%
Soccer	Spring 2020	40	21	19	52%
2020 NO FALL SOCCER					
2021 NO SOCCER					
Soccer	Spring 2022	81	33	48	40%
Soccer	Fall 2022	131	54	77	41%
Soccer	Spring 2023	253	108	145	42%
Basketball	2021-2022	152	59	93	38%
Basketball	2022-2023	214	90	124	42%

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(Season was cancelled due to COVID-19)

Pineville Adult Athletics

Sport	Season	# of Teams
Basketball	Spring 2022	4
Basketball	Fall 2022	8
Basketball	Spring 2023	10



Fall Fest 2023 Information

Thursday-Saturday, October 19-21

3 Buses for Shuttles

6 Light Towers: 4 for Dover St, 2 for Jack Hughes Entrance/Pedestrians

Thursday Night (6pm-10pm)

- Ride Wristband Night
- Band: Rivermist (7pm-10pm)
- Kids Entertainment Stage
 - Piedmont Music Therapy
 - Stilt Walker
 - Face Painter, Balloon Twist Maker, Caricature Artist
 - Dinosaurs in Place

Friday (6pm-10pm)

- Band: Chairman of the Board (7pm-10pm)
- Kids Entertainment Stage
 - Piedmont Music Therapy
 - Stilt Walker
 - Face Painter, Balloon Twist Maker, Caricature Artist
 - Dinosaurs in Place

Saturday (10am-10pm)

- Band: Brandon Davidson (5pm-7pm)
- Band: Landslide (Fleetwood Mac Tribute, 8pm-10pm)
- Chili Cook Off
- Pie Eating Contest
- Kids Entertainment Stage
 - Dinosaur Shows (3)
 - Rick Hubbard
 - Mark Lippard
 - Face Painter, Balloon Twist Maker, Caricature Artist
- Fireworks at 10pm (shot from Cone Mill)