

Raleigh County Parks and Recreation Authority Board Meeting

Minutes of September 15, 2020 - 11:00am

All Board Members present: Bill Roop, Dave Tolliver, Ron Headrick, Linda K. Epling, Clyde Stepp.

Additional Staff present: Molly Williams, BJ Pritchard, Aaron Hamilton, Bill Calhoun.

Approval of July 14th minutes: Bill Roop, Ron Headrick - PASS

Approval of August 18th minutes: Bill Roop, Ron Headrick - PASS

Financial Report Approval: 7/2020 - 8/2021: Motion made by Bill Roop and motion - PASS

Monthly Parks Review:

Molly discusses Fall-ball continues at Fitzpatrick Park.

Girls Fast-pitch Tournament was a success. Expect to continue next year.

Mountaineer youth football season was originally canceled, now there is a plan with shorter seasons and fewer teams they are trying to put together.

Lake Stephens first "Pet Day" went very well. Expect to do more in the future during the summers.

Beach, Aqua Park, Splash Pad are closed for the season. Marina closes September 30th. Campground closes October 31.

The Dam Project is underway. Did last surveys yesterday. Will be moving equipment late this week or early next week. Going to draw down the lake slowly for the next couple of weeks.

Will put a press release together when we have better numbers.

Fall Events canceled. Camp or Treat has been canceled. Costume Vault pending based on the counties decision on observing Halloween.

Bill Roop reported that for the season Hotel/Motel Tax is down \$60,000. We were up \$60,000 in operating income.

Next Meeting October 20th.

Dave Tolliver mentioned development on the backside of the park to be discussed later. Discussed the board and staff needs to be considering projects for next year.

Dave Tolliver asked Molly if she had any more expenses to be reimbursed. She mentioned a small amount for the damn project.

Dave question whether we had submitted reimbursement through the CARE ACT. Molly replies we have submitted for supplies reimbursement and were working on payroll reimbursement. Dave mentioned that submission has to be by September 21st.

Dave proposes that we may look at additional cabins because they stayed full all season.

Molly suggested we have a list of projects by next meeting.

Bill Roop asks Molly which is priority? To expand the Marina or expand the campground and which is most expensive? Molly suggested both, Campgrounds with dock access are ideal. Discussion ensued.

Molly asks if the board had any suggestions on projects. Still moving forward on disc golf, it has been slow due to Covid.

Ron Hedrick said nothing has been done to Dry Hill Playground, has not had any improvements since he's been on the board. Molly says it's on her list.

Vote to adjourn – PASS