



**RALEIGH COUNTY  
PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY  
Board Meeting Minutes**

**November 16, 2021  
11:00A.M.**

- 1. Call to Order** - 11A.M.
  
- 2. Roll Call** - Linda Epling, Dave Tolliver, Bill Roop, Clyde Stepp, Ron Hedrick, Molly Williams, BJ Pritchard, Greg Duckworth
  
- 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes** (10/19/21) - Motion to approve made by Bill Roop, seconded by Clyde Stepp.
  
- 4. New Business**
  - 4.1 Financial Statement October 2021 - Motion to approve made by Clyde Stepp, seconded by Bill Roop.
  - 4.2 2022 Payroll/Holiday calendar -Motion to approve made by Bill Roop, seconded by Clyde Stepp.
  - 4.3 Fireworks- getting the same sponsor as last year, two dates requested, one being during Independence Day and the other either after Beach Blast or WV day. Cost would be around \$7500 that would come out of the \$5000 operating budget, confident we can get a sponsor to cover the additional cost. -Motion to approve made by Bill Roop, seconded by Clyde Stepp.
  
- 5. Old Business**

4.4 Beckley Area Foundation Grant – Applying for grant for pedal boats and hydro bikes, looking at prices right now, one bike is about \$2500 and one pedal boat is about \$3300. Looking at 2 bikes, 3 boats, total of \$14940, give or take. Max for foundation is \$7000 and it's a matching grant. Approval to apply for grant. Motion made by Cylde Stepp, seconde by Linda Epling.

4.5 Fitzpatrick Manager Report- Aaron has covid so will give report next meeting

4.6 AED adjusted cost- in the summer we were approved for 10 AED's the amount of \$14171.60. Those went out of stock and found a vendor while in Nashville, prices differance of \$5392.90. If we don't get them now, the price will go up again, and/or be out of stock. Motion to approve made by Bill Roop, seconded by Clyde Stepp.

4.7 Rate Review-Rates are comfortable except for pavilion and camping costs.

A. Would like to raise the pavilion slightly, but the board would like to have more price comparisons before raising prices. And would like to permit or charge for alcohol. Board denies to allow alcohol or charge a fee if evidence is found in trash. If it is found in trash, we can send them notice that they will be charged extra if found again. May want to post something on the door or near the entrance that alcohol is prohibited.

B. Rate increase for RV camping. Raleigh county residents pay \$345, non-residents pay \$430. (Before 6% sale taxes) Molly would like to propose raising it to \$550 for non- county and county residents to \$440. Dave suggests \$400 for county residents, and \$500 for non-county residents. Also changed tent sites from \$23 a night to \$25 a night, before taxes. Dave Tolliver Motions, Bill Roop seconds.

## **5. Old Business**

5.1 Fairdale Property- acquired in 1995 from Trap Hill Lions Club. Options we have are to sell the property, leave as it is, or we could lease it to those that want to use it, or we could use the material/soil on the land to help with Clear Fork Trail. The property is about 19.92 acres on Butternut Drive. Ron Hedrick proposed a military group looking for a training area. Board agreed to keep the property.

5.2 Playground Update- Stoco ribbon cutting Friday, Nov. 19th at 4 pm. Lake playground since cabins are closed we will not do anything right now. Playgrounds for the overlook, Fitzpatrick, and Dry Hill, will be collected by Forward Southern, we will have to find out if they buy the equipment or if they will give us the money to purchase. Fundraising event for this will be at the Black Knight on February 11th. Victoria with Game Time with playgrounds, why it's good for our community, and membership level and amounts they can donate. Will start to push that closer to the event.

5.3 Directors Report -

- A. Will be getting \$100,000 on January 1, and the Board would like a general idea of where the money will go. Molly said we have about \$10,800 left from the current year and will propose a snow plow for the new trucks.
- B. Disc golf update- have to relevel some of the tees that have settled, then will put turf on and do tentative soft opening, and in spring do an official opening.
- C. All areas are winterized that needed to be.
- D. Power issue update: Have sent document to risk pool and Aep, have been in contact with both about documentation for loss of revenue for over \$77,000. Bj let them know that AEP has said they have to fix problem, which is looping at Morgan's, cross over land owner property, they are thinking the small cabins should be done by first part of next week, and no reason we can't open those up.

No meeting on Dec. 21st, will have to move it up a week. And Dave said we are still working on rescue money for new campsites. Molly would like to use rescue money for playgrounds, it will be considered.

**6. Adjournment** - Adjourned by Dave Tolliver

The next Meeting will be December 14, 2021 at 11:00am at the Raleigh County Commission Office.