



**CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

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MAYOR

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DIRECTOR

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES**

CHRISTOPHER BRADY
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

September 18th, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

On Tuesday, September 18th, President Earl Lawson called the Vestavia Park Board meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

Park Board Members present were:	Earl Lawson, President Kirk McCulley, Vice President Mitch Bevill Anne Smyth
Park Board Members absent were:	David Myers
Mayor Ashley Curry	Present
Council Representative Paul Head	Present
Parks and Recreation Staff Members:	Jason Burnett, Superintendent Brian C. Davis, Director of Public Services B. J. Dubose, Office Supervisor Julie Harper, Activities Coordinator

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Kirk McCulley

APPROVAL OF JULY 17TH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

President Lawson asked for a motion to approve the July 17th regular meeting minutes. Mitch Bevill made a motion to approve. Kirk McCulley seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 17TH WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

President Lawson asked for a motion to approve the August 17th work session minutes. Anne Smyth made a motion to approve. Kirk McCulley seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

- We have almost entirely vacated and cleared items for Wald pool, Exchange field, and tennis courts when the contractor is ready to start the earth work on that site.
- Things are going well at the old Gold's Gym location as members are coming in and using the basketball court, racquetball court, and overhead walking track. We are also using it as temporary storage for pool equipment from Wald.
- Splash pad at SHAC is set to close September 30.
- SHAC Park has new signs paid for by the Foundation. They look great if you haven't seen them yet.

- National Senior Citizen Day went well with Eli Gold speaking. We appreciate the mayor for reaching out to him and getting him to commit to this.
- We participated in a school supply drive with other Park and Rec departments in the metro Birmingham area. We were able to contribute to supply items for Norwood Elementary school. The school was very appreciative that all of these Park and Rec dept. from other cities thought to help them out.

MAYORS REPORT

- Discussed the Wald Park Plan at the work session last night. Tried to answer all questions.
- The old Gold's Gym building is only going to be used temporarily. He wants to make sure the public understands that.
- He meet with Brian Davis and his staff on organizing the Christmas Parade.
- He expressed his appreciation for all the volunteers in Parks and Recreation.
- October 8th will be the State of the City Address.

PUBLIC SERVICES REPORT

- Per Brian, there will be a Veteran's Day program for the city held at Vestavia Methodist Church. There will be a more intimate program at the New Merkel House for our seniors.
- We will host a Touch a Truck event.
- The Christmas Parade, Breakfast with Santa and the Annual Tree Lighting will be held on November 29th.
- The E-Recycling and Hazardous Waste Day was an overwhelming success.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Scheduling Issues-
Scheduling Issues was pushed to the League Reports.

PARK FOUNDATION REPORT

No representative, no report.

POOL REPORT

No representative, no report.

CONCESSIONS REPORT

Trent Turner stated there was nothing in July to report.

LEAGUE REPORTS

Baseball

Per Efrain Horta, they have a total of 471 kids this fall which is up from last year. All coaches have completed background checks and concussion training. The cage nets at Exchange have been taken down and temporarily stored till construction is done. Also, they would like to provide Wi-Fi at the parks on a user charge basis. After discussion, the park board would like to have a work session to discuss the possibility of the city providing Wi-Fi for all of the parks.

Boys' Basketball

Per Kirk McCulley, registration is open.

Girls Basketball

No representative, no report.

Cheerleading

No representative, no report.

Flag Football

Mitch reported that flag is going great.

OTM Football

No representative, no report.

JSYFL

No representative, no report.

Lacrosse

Jason Burnett reported that Rachel Harwell will be stepping down and Scott Wesson will be the new contact.

Seniors

Per Julie Harper, she will meet with the mayor to discuss the state bicentennial events. Anne thanked Julie for all her efforts with National Senior Day.

Soccer

Per Rocky Harmon, they have been busy this fall. They will be opening up a free Monday night training room which will be open to all Vestavia Hills athletes. A link will be on the soccer website. It will be open Monday nights from 5 to 7 p.m. to get examined.

Softball

Beth Rose stated, they have 104 girls registered, which is the largest number ever. They are playing each other and out of park. Travel ball has grown as well. The 10U travel ball team won a tournament in Jasper. The season starts Sunday and will end in October.

Swimming

Per Rebecca Hartsough, they had over 20 members recognized at the Senior County Swim Meet which was more than any other city. All their equipment has been documented and is ready to be stored. Their treasurer resigned but they will have a new one and will be back on track.

Wrestling

No representative, no report.

COMMENTS

The background check appeal individual did not show up to the meeting today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next work session will be on Friday, October 19th, at 11:30 in the city hall Executive Conference room.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, November 20th, 7:00 a.m. in the city hall Executive Conference room.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Kirk McCulley. Mitch Bevill seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Beth Rose/VHGSA

Trenton Turner/Turner Food Service

Rocky Harmon/Soccer

Rebecca Hartsough/VSA

Chad Long/VHBC

Efrain Horta/VHBC