



CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS AND RECREATION
January 17, 2023

ASHLEY CURRY
MAYOR

JAMIE LEE
PARKS AND LEISURE
DIRECTOR

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of minutes from the December 20,2022 work session
4. Mayor's Report – Mr. Ashley Curry
5. Parks & Leisure Update – Jamie Lee
 - a. Altadena
 - b. VHCC membership Update
 - c. Basketball Update
6. Old Business-
7. New Business
 - a. PGF Request – May 12-14 – Liberty Park
 - b. Megan Foundation Request - Gingerbread House Group
 - c. 4 to 5 Flag – Kate Simpson (Aces & Birdies)
 - d. Track/Cardio membership
8. League Reports – PLEASE SUBMIT IN WRITING
9. Citizen Comments – Must sign in prior to start of the meeting
10. Next Meeting –
 - a. Next work session will be February 21, 2023 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.
 - b. Next regular scheduled meeting will be March 21, 2023 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.

CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
January 17, 2023 7:30 AM

PARK BOARD ATTENDEES

Lyles Box
Danny Marshall
Chad Gay
Kirk McCulley
Shelley Gentle

Staff Attendees:

Jamie Lee
Sandi Wilson
Will Harrington

Community Attendees:

Chad Long - Baseball
Mitch Bevill

Meeting was called to order at 7:34 AM by Lyles Box.

Lyles Box led us in Prayer and the Pledge.

Meeting Minutes from November 15th, 2022 Park Board Meeting. Motion to approve with the addition of Mrs. Woodall in attendance to discuss walking trails by Kirk McCulley and 2nd by Shelley Gentle. Motion approved.

Jamie Lee's Report:

- Altadena Valley – Bids came back at 1.5 million. This was mainly for the entrance and parking; ground work, level, drain, lights and parking. The next step is to bring Tony Renta back in and meet with Jeff Downes to break the project into separate projects.
- VHCC –As of last Monday we were at around 400 memberships, many are senior adult memberships. We are currently at about half of the projected budget.
- Basketball - at the end of December we tried to move many of them into the new gyms at the Civic Center. We had several members / potential members that were discouraged due to not having open gym times so we have made adjustments. We are not using WEST gym therefore the 2nd practices will be scheduled mostly at Central or the old Rec Center. We lost 2 monitors last week as well which poses some issues being able to cover all gym spaces.
- Baseball and Softball registrations closed over the weekend. Their numbers are included in the submitted reports.
- Introduced Will Harrington – New Athletic Coordinator
- Adult Basketball – Information has been posted and sent out. Doug have spoken with several and they are spreading the word. Also working on an Adult Basketball Lunch League.

- Pickleball is exploding. Homewood Parks and Recreation is basically doing the same format as we are with a league. Our current scheduled times are: M – F 9am – 12pm, Sun 3-5pm. Once basketball is complete, we may look at moving the Sunday times back to Saturday mornings.

Old Business:

- Lyles thanked Mitch Bevill for his service on the Park Board and presented him with a plaque of appreciation.

New Business:

2023 Park Board Officers

- Kirk McCulley made a motion and Chad Gay second to nominate Lyles Box as Board President and Shelley Gentle as Board Vice – President. Motion approved. Lyles Box introduced Chad Gay as the newest member of the Park Board. Chad has 18 years in Vestavia Hills and has been involved with Recreation Basketball and Baseball as well as serving as the Board President for Girls Softball. Lyles stated that he will be in touch with each board member and begin putting together the Board Liaison assignments.

PGF request – written request attached

- May 12-14, 2023
- Chad Gay is familiar with the organization and gave a brief overview from his experience with them.
- Chad Gay reported that weekend is the seeding games for GBBBA.
- They will pay the full rental fee for fields 1-4 at LP. STS will also need to be on-site and PGF will be expected to pay them as well.

Megan Foundation request – written request attached

- Asking for free space for the event next year (Johnny Montgomery)
- The event was held at City Hall last year however they will need 2times that space for next year and are looking at the Ballroom.
- That time of year and the Civic Center being new, they would be required to pay full price.
- Shelley Gentle reported that for an alternate option they could rent the Junior League for a cleaning fee.

4- and 5-year-old Flag Football request

- Aces and Birdies submitted a request to offer Flag Football at McCallum Park. Board reported that if there is enough interest in that age group to offer flag football then we can add it to our Flag Football league

Track / Cardio Membership

- We have had a request to add same as the track only pass. Not sure how we would monitor that piece. Thoughts are “wary” of an a la cart offering. Need to “live” in the facility for a little while before we make too many changes.

League Reports:

- Rocky Harmon – Soccer – Report Submitted in writing (included)
- Chad Long – Baseball - Report Submitted in writing (included)
- Angela Marshall – Softball – Report Submitted in writing (included)

- Kirk McCulley asked if there were any capacity issues last fall with Tackle, Flag and Soccer all being played at the same time. There was not. Jamie did state the field size will have to change before the 2024 season or this will be the last year we can host tackle if it is not changed.
- Chad Long reported that he thought it would be a good time to start a Middle School Flag Football league.
- Lyles asked about the plan for the LP revitalization – Jamie reported that it was in HNP’s court at this time and they are working on plans to present in the next few weeks. Lyles would like to form an advisory group and would like for Kirk to head up this group. Jamie reported that in the short term, the maintenance crews have been working on fences, painting, pressure washing etc. at LP.
- Shelley stated that she had been asked which of the facilities have AEDs on-site. The answer is all of them.
- Danny asked what is the minimum age for the monitors? Currently it is 18.

Upcoming Meetings:

Work Session: February 21, 2023 at 7:30 am in the Civic Center

Regular Meeting: February 21, 2023 at 8:00 am in the Civic Center.

Motion to adjourn: Kirk McCulley, 2nd: Danny Marshall

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 AM.