



PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 21st, 2024, 5:30PM Derick GS Davis Center at Maides Park 1101 Manly Ave.

Call to Order Chair: Terry Smith
Vice Chair: Ron Woodruff

Call to Order at 5:33pm

Staff Liaison: Amy Beatty, Parks & Recreation Director, Sally Thigpen Assistant Director

Public comment period (3 minutes) No comments.

Approval of January 2024 minutes Ron Woodruff motioned for the approval of the January 2024 minutes, seconded by Ingrid Corbi and the motion carried unanimously.

Guest staff speaker: Maides Park team- Blair Houtz, Ariana Agueda and Davina Bell.

- Overview of programs at The Davis Center
- Afterschool program, Geri-fit, Senior Meal Distribution, Open Gym, Seed Library
- Eastside History preservation project
- Review of Maides Park namesake and Davis Center namesake
- Davina Bell reviews iterations of the Seed Library and community garden plans.

Old Business

- Greenfield Lake Masterplan- review led by Sally Thigpen
 - <https://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/17634/638442091617570000>
 - Franklin Boney suggested pilot area for vegetation management to better match park inspiration images.
 - Ron Woodruff motioned to recommend the adoption of the Greenfield Lake Master Plan to City Council. Franklin Boney seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- By laws update- ready to present to City Council
- Naming request- Sam Bowens Memorial Field
 - Proceeds to Council's naming sub-committee
- [nCino Sports Park](#) Advisory Committee. Ingrid Corbi new P&R Board representative on the Committee.

New Business

- Introduce new Board member Franklin Boney



Committee Reports

- Parks & Greenway Committee – Ron Woodruff, Committee Chair
 - Adopt-a-Park initiative
 - PRAB members will routinely visit their assigned parks and present the needs and capabilities of those parks.

- By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee – Zach Gilbert, Committee Chair
- Feasibility Study at Empie Park contract underway.
 - Evaluating stormwater capacity for impervious surface additions

Chair's Report

- Open Board Member Round Table Q&A

Staff Report

- Bradley Creek accessible kayak launch project update and public meeting
 - Currently in its final design stage, then presentation to public.
 - Bid for construction to take place this summer
 - Public meeting taking place March 20th with Engineering Consultant

Board Member Round Table

- Introduce John Dolan new park ranger.

Adjournment

- Public Meeting March 20th 4:30pm-5:30pm Skyline Center @929 N. Front St
- **Next Meeting: March 20th, 5:30PM Skyline Center @ 929 N. Front St**
- Ingrid Corbi moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:28pm, seconded by Ron Woodruff and the motion carried unanimously.



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