

# COBB COUNTY RECREATION BOARD

## MINUTES

April 11, 2023

Cobb County PARKS Recreation Board – April 11, 2023, 6:00 PM

| <b>Present:</b>    | <b>Absent:</b>                              | <b>PARKS Staff Present:</b> |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| John Pape          | Tina Clark (arrived 6:11pm;<br>left 6:28pm) | Barbara Savage              |
| Elliott Hennington | Jill Flamm                                  | Michael Brantley            |
| Bill Carver        | Nathan Wade                                 | Shelly Norton               |
| Demetrius Lockett  |   | Jordan Wood                 |
| Wynn McCurdy       |   | Tasha Smith                 |
| Michael Edwards    |   | Derrell Walker              |
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Elliott Hennington called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

II. INVOCATION

Bill Carver opened the meeting with a prayer.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Elliott Hennington and the Rec Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF March 14, 2023 MINUTES

**MOTION:** Motion made by Bill Carver and seconded by John Pape to approve the March 14, 2023, Recreation Board Minutes as submitted.

**VOTE:** **6-0;** Tina Clark, Nathan Wade and Jill Flamm absent.

V. BOARD DISCUSSION OF EMAIL FROM CHAIRWOMAN'S OFFICE

The Recreation Board discussed the Chairwoman's request to have a liaison from each board to report monthly updates directly to her each month. We had some opposed and the rest needed more information regarding this position. Discussion was held and the board decided to table the vote until further information is gained. The board will come back May 9<sup>th</sup> with further updates.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by John Pape and seconded by Wynn McCurdy to deny the liaison request.

**VOTE:** **2-4;** Tina Clark abstained to vote; Nathan Wade and Jill Flamm absent.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Bill Carver and seconded by Demetrius Lockett to table the decision and vote again once more information is gained.

**VOTE:** **4-2;** Tina Clark abstained; Nathan Wade and Jill Flamm absent.

VI. SPLOST UPDATES

Barbara Savage

- SPLOST Budget Update:  
2011 Projects – 98% Completed; 2% Future Projects.

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2016 Projects – 80% Completed; 1% Design; 4% Under Construction; 15% Future Project (Future Projects: Hyde and Miller) All projects are underway currently, but the 15% percentage is due to projects that have not had the money allocated yet.

2022 Projects – 96% Future; <1% Completed; >2% Construction Underway; <1% Design/Engineering (Future Projects: Aquatic Centers, Technology Improvements, Ebenezer Downs, and Noonday Park Restroom)

- Old Clarkdale Community Center – Contractor is under contract and project will take approximately 8 months.
- Stout Park/Stana House – We have shut down Brownsville Rd. to start working on the D-Cell lanes and widening the entrance that goes into the park; Stairs have been installed; we are awaiting on the final touches for the house. Barn – interior repairs/updates have gone to Purchasing to be bid on May 5<sup>th</sup>; it will be a 6-month project once started; all the rotten siding has been replaced and painted; currently waiting on the roll up doors to arrive so that they can be installed.
- Osborne Recreation Center – Currently in the design phase; budget should be updated/finalized next week. Anticipated start of construction will be late 2023.
- Price Park Bridge – Bridge designer infrastructure was approved today; 6-month process; potential start in Summer 2023.
- **Various 2022 Projects:**

**Ebenezer Downs** – 2 bids were received; currently in the selection committee process and will make a decision on Thursday; 9-month design; exterior work has been completed and replaced flooring on the inside on the main floor.

**Kemp Park** – Awaiting on decision from Commissioner; we currently do not have full funding for project; Master plan was approved in 2020.

**Wild Horse Creek Lake** – We are currently dredging the lake; bidding out removal of silt next week; 2-3 weeks to complete; Anticipated completion later in Summer.

**Cobblestone Golf Course** – Project was awarded to contractor today; we have enough funds to do more than originally anticipated; 1 ¼ miles of cart path will be replace; 2-month project.

**Noonday Park Restroom Restoration** – Designer on board; meeting tomorrow; 6-month project.

**West Cobb Aquatic Paving** – Approved today; we will shut down the facility in July to complete the paving.

**Shaw Park Repurpose** – Town Hall Meeting hosted by Commissioner Birrell was held on 3/16/2023. We had about 215 people in attendance; many were happy with the design as long as it didn't take away their activities.

## VII. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Derrell Walker

- Shaw Park – We have staff monitoring the homeless activity daily at the park.
- Operations – Routine maintenance is happening in all zones currently and is picking up.
- Events – Movie in the Park at East Cobb Park this Friday put on by Friends of East Cobb Park.
- Wild Horse Creek Park – Thursday through Sunday BMX National will be going on.
- We onboarded our new coordinator, Tauree Curry, for our Bishop Zone.

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Tasha Smith

- Services – Last Saturday was our Easter Egg Hunt; had to pivot the location due to weather; we had over 5,000 participants.
- Arts – Monthly galleries going on now; check the website for details.
- Natural Resources – They have 14 classes going on.
- TRS – Will be hosting a sensory friendly movie in the park this Friday.
- Special Olympics swim meet is this Saturday.
- Ward Recreation had an amazing Spring Break camp.
- Sewell Mill Pool will be opening on Memorial Day.

Jordan Wood

- Cobblestone Crib Walls – Everglades Landscape has completed the work on the wall; HVAC is back up and running as of last week. Still awaiting schedule for the sink holes in the course; will be a lengthy process.
- Jennie T. Anderson Theatre Fly System – Materials are on order and set to arrive in May; Cliffs Fire has relocated the sprinkler line in conflict with hand lines; Allstar Electrical completed the installation to provide power to Power Assist hoists and index rail lighting; demo and installation of the Fly System is scheduled for August – September and will take about 4 weeks to complete.
- Jennie T. Anderson Theatre LED Upgrades – Project is completed.
- Bob Callen Bridge Renovations – Materials are in hand and section of the trail will be closed for about 6 weeks to remove/install decking; planning mid-May to early June to close the trail and remove old decking and install new; Working with Cumberland CID and will install signage to notify the public.
- Windy Hill Community Center – Project is completed
- Anderson Road House Improvement – Project will renovate the existing home; will then be offered as a living space for Cobb County PD Cadets.
- South Cobb Aquatic Center Play Structure Replacement – PO issued for DC Pools to demo old play structure and replace with a new Mushroom water feature.

Michael Brantley

- Taste of Mableton is this Saturday.
- Cobb Community Youth Day at Fair Oaks will be April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 42 Class C Baseball tournament will be going on this weekend at several parks around Georgia (our parks used are Al Bishop and Skip Wells).

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Elliott Hennington to adjourn at 7:47 p.m.