

# COBB COUNTY RECREATION BOARD

## MINUTES

November 14, 2023

Cobb County PARKS Recreation Board – November 14, 2023, 6:00 PM

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>PARKS Staff Present:</b>
John Pape	Nathan Wade	Barbara Savage
Demetrius Lockett	Michael Edwards	Michael Brantley
Bill Carver	Tina Clark	Shelly Norton
Jill Flamm		Derrell Walker
Elliott Hennington		Jordan Wood
Wynn McCurdy		

I. CALL TO ORDER

Elliott Hennington called the meeting to order at 6:03 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 September 12, 2023 MINUTES

**MOTION:** Motion made by Jill Flamm and seconded by John Pape to approve the September 12, 2023; Recreation Board Minutes as submitted.

**VOTE:** 6-0; Nathan Wade, Michael Edwards, Tina Clark, and Bill Carver absent for the vote.

V. SPLOST UPDATES

Barbara Savage

- SPLOST Budget Update:  
2011 Projects – 98% Completed; 2% Future Projects. (Felton, Fullers, Hyde, and Mt. Bethel)  
2016 Projects – 83% Completed; 2% Design; 3% Under Construction; 12% Future Project (Future Project: Hyde) All projects are underway currently.  
2022 Projects – 85% Future; <3% Completed; >6% Construction Underway; <6% Design/Engineering (Future Projects: Aquatic Centers, Technology Improvements, Ebenezer Downs, and Noonday Park Restroom)
- Stout Park/Stana House – Greystone Power is working on getting the power on; not sure on completion as of yet.  
Barn exterior/interior – Stalls are being resized; submitted the fire alarms for approval; the Sheriff is getting IT setup; concrete is due to be poured next week; entrance sign is out for bid.  
House – Received the Certificate of Occupancy.

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- Old Clarkdale Community Center – Handrails have been installed (ADA ramp); walkway is being completed. We are using the original stone for the walkway; electrical panels are still on backorder; sod is going in this week; we have postponed the open house, most likely will be held in January.
- Osborne Recreation Center – The Guaranteed Maximum Price has been established; Going for BOC approval November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Jim R. Miller Arena – Sending out bid first of January; project includes sound proofing the arena and painting; plan to start next summer.
- Aquatics Centers Improvements – Dehumidification Units – Mountain View has been installed, filters remain to be installed; West Cobb unit has been installed, but is lacking the controllers; South Cobb started yesterday and will finish by November 28<sup>th</sup>. Mountain View's second unit will be installed between December 4-14. South Cobb's electrical panel has been replaced and the marcite pool plaster and paint will start beginning of January.
- Big Shanty Additional Parking and Pickleball Courts – Will go out to bid on December 14<sup>th</sup> and will start in the spring of 2024.
- Entrance Signage – Will go out to bid on December 14<sup>th</sup> and will start in the spring of 2024.
- Kemp Park Master Plan – Will go before the Board of Commissioners for designer on November 28<sup>th</sup> and will start later in 2024 early 2025.
- Hurt Road Park – Bid will go to Purchasing on November 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Synthetic Turf Conversion – Sent to Legal for review.
- Security Cameras – Will walk all sites, get designs, and put a package together for approvals.

#### VI. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Michael Brantley

##### Services

- Communications Specialist is creating a PARKS Activity Guide that will be sent out quarterly. New site to check out for updates #explorecobbparks
- Mable House Tree lighting will be December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- East Cobb's Tree lighting will be December 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- 12 Days of Christmas will start November 29<sup>th</sup> and run through December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Holiday Light Show at Miller Park will start November 17<sup>th</sup> through January 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Fall Festival – We had an amazing turnout with over 8,500 attendees; this year's event was 6 hours long.

##### Operations

- Our crews are working on our Retention Ponds, curb appeal, and cleaning.
- Our Mountain Zone Superintendent, Jimmy Barnett, retired and our Noonday Zone Supervisor, Billy Doby, retired as well. We hired for both positions. Josh Bryant is our new Bishop Zone Superintendent and Jon Houze is our new Supervisor. They are internal candidates and will start in their new positions in two weeks.

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Jordan Wood

### SPLOST Projects

- Wallace Park – We are pricing the re-surfacing of the courts; Allstar Electric is installing the LEDs for the park; the Mini-Pitch is in fabrication and should arrive within 4 weeks.
- Pocket Parks – Our Land Unit started on Woodlawn and Lower Roswell with clearing brush and path; septic pumping and abandonment will take place this week. Our Land Unit has completed the site demo and stabilization for Hillcrest and South Gordon playground design and pricing is in hand; we are awaiting a price from W.E. Contracting for site work to make it ADA accessible.
- ARPA Grants – Final budget completed, sent to OPB, and has been approved. Design for both projects will go out to Bid in 2024.
- Jennie T. Anderson Theatre HVAC Replacement – We are currently waiting on contract to be signed and will move forward with install as soon as possible.
- Seven Springs Water Park – Legal is reviewing the contract modifications; scheduled to perform prior to 2024 Season Opening.
- Al Bishop Parking Expansion – Sent out to bid this week; bids will be on December 14<sup>th</sup>; we anticipate construction before the fair.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Demetrius Locket to adjourn at 7:24 p.m.