

ROCK HILL PARK and RECREATION MINUTES
MINUTES FROM MARCH 15 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Members Present: Christiansen, Ballard, Scherry, Milligan, Kachulis

Members Absent: Reardon

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion to approve the minutes from the February 9 meeting was made by Christiansen and seconded by Ballard. Motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

BUDGET

The commission was informed that the Board of Aldermen approved a budget for the 2012-13 fiscal year. Changes to the original budget request included the elimination of the part time summer laborer positions and the elimination of the Oakhaven Park tennis court improvements. The elimination of the part time laborers will be offset by the hiring of another full time laborer for the public works department. It was noted that the funding to complete the Whitfield Park project was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW OF PARK SURVEY SUGGESTIONS

The commission reviewed the park survey suggestion document. It was noted that this is a works in progress and will take time to complete and that priorities may change. The discussion centered on the feasibility of constructing a walking/fitness trail around Hensley Park, development of a dog park at the Ott property and additional park amenities. Also discussed was the addition of a Jazz concert next year.

REMAINDER OF WHITFIELD PARK PROJECT

As mentioned earlier funding of this project has been approved. There was discussion by the commission as to whether it would be better to complete the project in the spring or wait until fall. There was concern that with such a warm spring it may be better to wait until fall in the event the summer also exceptionally hot. A final decision was not made and this will be discussed further at the next meeting.

MOVIE NIGHT

The commission was reminded that this years movie night will be held Saturday June at Stroup Field in conjunction with National Night Out. Commission members were asked to think about possible movies to show at the event and any activities they would like to have at the event.

SUMMER DAY CAMP

The commission was informed that the camp will be held at Hudson School this year from June 11 through July 20. They were also informed that Tracey Mack will be back as camp director.

DIRECTORS REPORT

The commission was reminded about the upcoming activities including the Whitfield Park garden clean up on March 24, the Easter Eggstravaganza on March 32 and the Arbor Day/ Tree City USA program on April 7. At the end of the meeting, it was suggested that we start meeting at the parks. It was decided to start the park meetings at Oakhaven to view the improvements to the tennis courts and park shelter.

ADJORNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm