

PARKS and RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FROM APRIL 17 MEETING

Call to Order: the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Members Present: Reardon, Christiansen, Kachulis, Scherry

Members Absent: Ballard, Milligan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 17 MEETING

Motion to approve by Christiansen, and 2nd by Reardon. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

RECAP OF EASTER and ARBOR DAY PROGRAMS

The director gave a brief recap of these programs. It was noted that 29 children attended this year's Easter program compared to 26 from last year. The director thanked commission member Peggy Kachulis for helping with this program. Mrs. Kachulis suggested that the tickets for the attendance prizes be drawn later in the program while the pictures are being taken.

Approximately 35 people attended the Arbor Day/Tree City USA program at Greenwood Park. Members of Cub Scout Troop 316 and their families were there to help plant the tree. We had many positive comments about the park. Troop 316 indicated that they were interested in doing more projects in our parks.

MOVIE NIGHT

The director informed the commission that he did hear back from Frontyard Features and we are on their schedule for June 1. The commission then discussed possible movies. Ghostbusters was given strong consideration; however, it was eliminated after concerns were raised about the dialogue. After additional discussion, the director was asked to look in to the Star Trek movies, in particular Star Trek IV.

NEW BUSINESS

WHITFIELD PARK

The commission was informed that the budget will be sufficient to plant everything in the park. The director was asked to contact Cub Scout Troop 316 to see if they would be willing to help with this project. It was also suggested that to make the project more manageable that we do some of the planting in the spring and early summer and the remainder in the fall.

MEETINGS IN THE PARKS

The commission set the dates for meetings in the parks for this year. The schedule is as follows

May	June	July	August	September
Whitfield Park	Hensley Park	Oakhaven Park	Greenwood Park	Stroup Field

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

RAINSCAPE REWARDS PROGRAM

The commission was informed that 2 of the 3 grants that were submitted by Rock Hill residents were approved for funding for this grant cycle. Applications for the next round of grants will be available May 15.

MAINTENANCE UPDATES

The commission was informed on work done by the public works department. Work included: opening the restrooms, resurfacing the Rock Hill Park tennis courts mowing. The commission was also informed that a group of volunteers put wood chips on the nature trail and that the basketball goal at Greenwood Park was adjusted to the proper height. Lastly, the commission was informed that we received the reimbursement check from the Park Grant commission for the Greenwood Park project.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Hayden, Director
Rock Hill Parks and Recreation