

MINUTES

Parks and Recreation Commission of the Augusta County Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, December 20, 2023, 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Larry Curry, Vice Chair
Ernie Landes, Member
Leon Bartley, Member
Anne Gordon, Member
Sally Williams, Member

ABSENT: Samantha Bosserman, Chair

1. Call to Order

Mr. Curry called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Comments by the

Public No public present.

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 November 2023 minutes for approval

No comments or amendments to the November 2023 minutes. [drafted.November 2023 minutes.docx](#)

Sally Williams moved to approve November 2023 minutes.

Ernie Landes seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

4.1 December Treasurer's report

Mr. Wells presented the Treasurer's report as written. No comments or questions regarding report.

[2023 DECEMBER Treasurers report.pdf](#)

5. Director's Report

5.1 December Director's report

Mr. Wells presented the Director's report as written. No question or comments regarding the report.

[December 2023 DIR's report.pdf](#)

6. Matters to be presented by the Commission

No Matters to be presented by the Commission.

7. Matters to be presented by Staff

No Matters to be presented by Staff.

8. Old Business

Mr. Landes stated about 2 years ago the Commission was presented with hopes for building up the South end of the Government Center area for a Recreation facility. He inquired if that is still Parks and Recreation's hope for the future. Mr. Wells stated he is still hoping for a facility and/or multipurpose fields in the future, but with the Courthouse being built next year it may take more time. Mr. Wells hopes that with the Courthouse and the Verona Sidewalk Project taking place the need for a facility of that type will be recognized. He stated at this time there is no formal pursuit of funding and no directive from County Administration. He plans to continue to explore it. The first step would be to get a plan for the space. Mrs. Gordon asked if drawings had been done 2 years ago. Mr. Landes shared the information with her but said they were not drawings, but concepts and information.

Mr. Curry asked Mr. Wells how the Comprehensive Plan is going. Mr. Wells stated it is going well. He informed Commission members they may be receiving a call regarding the recreation aspect of the plan. If they would like to give input they are more than welcome to do so at that time or they can give input as part of a focus group.

9. New Business

Mrs. Gordon advised the Commission the Weyers Cave community is still actively looking for ways to bring pickleball to that area. Mr. Wells advised the Commission he is gathering estimates to convert the old tennis courts at Beverly Manor schools into pickleball courts. The School system has indicated a willingness to work with us and allow that use.

Mr. Wells informed the Commission of Mr. K Barley's resignation to the Commission. He stated Mrs. Bragg is currently looking for a replacement. He stated if the Commission knows anyone in the South River District that would be willing to serve please let them know the application is online. Mr. Curry and Mr. Landes both expressed thanks for Mr. K Barley's time on the Commission and service to the community.

10. Announcement of Next Meeting and Adjournment

Mr. Curry announced the next meeting will take place on January 17, 2024 at 7 pm at the Government Center.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Ernie Landes moved to adjourn .

Leon Bartley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.