

Amherst County Recreation, Tourism and Cultural Development

Board Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2022

The Amherst County Recreation, Tourism and Cultural Development Board held its monthly meeting on June 13, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Monroe Community Center

The members present: Heather Follett, Bailey Angus, John Mann, Roni Tuggle, Sara Lu Christian and Tom Martin. Also in attendance was Randy Nixon, Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 pm by Heather Follett, Chairman

A motion was made by John Mann to accept the Agenda and Heather Follett seconded it

John Mann made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 16, 2022 meeting and Bailey Angus seconded it

Special Presentation:

1. Sara Lu Christian was recognized as the newest member of the Amherst County Parks, Recreation and Cultural Development Board Member.

Administrators Report:

1. Elizabeth Parr was introduced as the new Recreation Specialist.
2. Reviewed the ACPRCD By-Laws and discussed some small changes and the duties of the Board.
 - *The board discussed whether parks was still under the purview of the Department which Randy said that it is.
 - *Sara Lu Christian asked if tourism fell under the Recreation Advisory Board and Randy felt that it really was not under the auspices of the Board. He was being tasked to create a Tourism Council made up of local leaders, businesses, and organizations that would have an investment and benefit from Tourism. Randy suggested that a member from the Advisory Board could be appointed to attend the Council activities or events as a representative.
 - *The Board discussed whether to advertise for a Youth Board Member but everyone agreed to try and find a local high school teen who would be a good fit for the Board.
 - *It was decided to look at having IT provide a County email account for each Board Member.
3. Reviewed the Night Fishing Report, Fishing License Report, Theme Park Tickets Report, Coolwell Community Center Bingo Report, Monroe Community Center Seniors Report, Youth Athletic Participation Report and the Monthly Activities Calendar. Randy reported we are looking at putting the Senior Monthly Calendar out on Facebook

Old Business:

1. LWCF Grant- the Seminole and Mill Creek Lake Park projects have been split into two separate projects per the recommendation of DCR and NPS. The Seminole Park project is much farther along and NPS hopefully will award grant monies sometime in July. Mill Creek Lake Park still has pre-award work to be done and presented to DCR by September 1st. A second round of grant monies should be awarded sometime over the fall or winter.

New Business:

1. The Department Annual Report which will be provided at the Tuesday, July 19, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting by Chairman, Heather Follett was discussed it was determined that the report should show all the departments program, activities, participation numbers and revenue numbers. The Board felt the two park projects Seminole and Mill Creek Lake Park should be included in the report along with their support of both projects.
2. Randy suggested the Board hold a work session at the next meeting to discuss and finalize a Parks and Recreation Plan to be presented at the BOS August Meeting/Retreat. The Board agreed to meet on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 12:30 pm with lunch being provided.

Matters by the Board:

Heather Follett suggested we look into partnering with the Nelson county Recreation Department and co-sponsor the Piney River Mini-Triathlon. This event starts in Nelson County and ends in Amherst County and Randy said he would reach out to the Nelson County Director.

The next Advisory Board meeting which will be a work session will be held Monday, July 11th at 12:30 pm at the Monroe Community Center.

A motion to adjourn was made by Heather Follett and seconded by Roni Tuggle. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

7-11-22
Date


Chairman


Secretary