



Belville Parks and Recreation Board Regular Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2022

January 13, 2022

Belville Parks & Recreation Board Members Present:

Laura Copley, Chairman by Zoom
Joe Cranford, Member
Mary Anne Fagerquist, Member
Lynn Gavin, Alternate for Jay Larsen
Tim Wilson, Alternate Member for Keesha Starr

Belville Parks & Recreation Board Alternate Members Present:

Belville Parks & Recreation Board Members Absent:

Keesha Starr, Vice-Chairman
Jay Larsen, Member

Staff Present:

Jim Bucher, Director of Parks & Recreation
Brenda Hewlett, Secretary

Others Present to Address the Board:

None

Item #s - 1 AND 2 - CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Joe Cranford called the February 17, 2022, Belville Parks & Recreation Board Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Member Joe Cranford led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ACTION – Member Mary Anne Fagerquist made the motion to excuse member's Laura Copley and Keesha Starr. **VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.**

Item # 3 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION – Member Lynn Gavin **MADE THE MOTION** to approve the agenda. **VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.**

Item # 4 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION – Member Lynn Gavin, **MADE THE MOTION** to approve the Belville Parks and Recreation Board Regular Meeting Minutes from January 13, 2022. **VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.**

ITEM # 5- UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. **Belville Riverwalk Park Update**

Parks and Recreation Director Jim Bucher reported that he is making repairs on the bathrooms and trails. The new kayak launch will have a longer transition plate ramp that will 7ft. longer.

1. UPDATE ON STORM RECOVERY / PARK REPAIRS

Nothing to report.



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1. UPDATE ON SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION AND CONSERVATION

Member Mary Anne Fagerquist gave an update on signage in the park and computer technology I reference to apps for plants etc. This is more effective toward younger generations. She stated that Wilmington has a strict policy on kayaking. She wants to protect our park. She asked to meet with the Mayor and Town Manager and Mayor Pro Tem about the dragonfly program. A location has been selected for the pond. She has an artist that has offered to do a painting of the dragonfly and she has someone to frame the print for free. She gave the board additional information on printing.

ITEM # 6– NEW BUSINESS

a. Upcoming Events

1. The ball drop for New Year's was briefly discussed. Member Joe Cranford stated that there is a Belville, Ireland. Maybe we could do a Sister City.
2. A discussion on the Big Band Concert was discussed. Mary Anne Fagerquist made the motion to move forward with the Big Ban Concert. All they need is to be covered by a tent and water. They can pass the hat, or we can find a sponsor. **Vote was Unanimous.**
3. The Easter Egg Hunt is being sponsored by the Town of Belville, EZ Wireless and Erica Sylvester realtor with Chris Baynes and Associates. EZ Wireless is providing candy for the 2,000 eggs and Erica is providing 250 filled eggs for the hunt. Secretary Brenda Hewlett has the 3 large gold eggs which will determine the winner in each age group.
4. The March Movie was discussed. The only thing left to do is ask the Sheriff's Office for traffic control.
5. Town Manager Athina Williams and Secretary Brenda Hewlett will cover the Business Expo for the North Brunswick Chamber of Commerce.
6. Member Joe Cranford gave a brief overview of the Tour of Honor.

b. Discussion and or Recommendations to Board of Commissioners

ITEM # 7- OTHER ITEMS AND REPORTS

a. Chairman

b. Vice Chairman

c. Staff And / Or the Commissioners

ITEM # 8 – ADJOURNMENT

ACTION – Chairman Copley, adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

Minutes compiled by Brenda K. Hewlett

SIGNED:

Joe Cranford, Member

ATTEST:



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Brenda K. Hewlett, Secretary