

**Richland County Recreation Commission
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 21, 2011
6:00PM**

Commissioners in Attendance:

Barbara Mickens, Vice Chair
G. Todd Weiss, Secretary
Wilbert Lewis
George Martin
Weston A. Furgess, Jr.
C. Todd Latiff

RCRC Staff in Attendance:

Kenya Bryant
Taurus Lewis
Ronnie Kinnett
Curt Wilson
Tony Cooper
Tara Dickerson
Leigh Cheatham
Andrea Fripp
Mike Marshall
Robert Allen
E. Rutherford
Cornelia Watts

Others in Attendance:

James Bridgett, Jr., Consultant/Parliamentarian

1. Call to Order:

Barbara Mickens, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda: (Action)

Motion to adopt the agenda made by Commissioner Lewis and second by Commissioner Furgess. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Mickens, Lewis, Furgess, Latiff, Martin and Weiss.

3. Approval of Minutes: (Action)

Motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2011 meeting made by Commissioner Lewis and second by Commissioner Weiss. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Mickens, Weiss, Lewis, Martin, Latiff and Furgess.

4. Public Input:

Mr. Hainsley Lewis invited everyone to the Lincolnshire/Crane Creek Community Christmas dinner on December 10, 2011 at 7:00p.m. Mr. Lewis distributed the community flyer to Board members.

5. Financial Report: (Information)

Mr. Curt Wilson, Business Systems, reviewed the Cash Flow Projections included in the Board's package. Mr. Wilson reported that LinRick had a slow month but their total revenue for July through October this year is a little over 5% above what it was last year.

6. Code Section 61-4-630 Sunday Sales of Beer and Wine for On-Premise Consumption at Linrick: (Action)

Robert Allen, Director of Recreation, presented to Board Code Section 61-4-630 as information, to get the Board's permission for sale of alcohol on Sundays at LinRick Golf Course to try and get revenues up. Mr. Allen stated that they have looked at this option before but because of the law that was on the books requiring \$150 every week for a special permit, it was not financially feasible. Mr. Allen reported that July 1, 2011 a law was passed and the current license that LinRick has will cover the sale of alcohol on Sundays after 10:00a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Latiff for Sunday sale of beer and wine on premise at LinRick Golf Course, second by Commissioner Weiss. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Mickens, Latiff, Weiss, Martin, Lewis and Furgess.

7. Bond Construction Update: (Information)

Mr. Ronnie Kinnett, Property Management, reviewed Bond Construction Update included in the Board's package.

Commissioner Weiss questioned the status of Kelly Mill. Mr. Kinnett explained that a couple of dugouts and press boxes are scheduled in this particular phase. Mr. Kinnett added that in the future there should be outdoor restrooms in the last phase.

Commissioner Lewis stated that he was glad about the forward progress at St. Andrews Park.

Commissioner Weiss stated that at the last Ad Hoc Committee meeting, he was very impressed with the updates and wanted to thank Tony and Ronnie for the thorough job that they are doing keeping up with everything that is going on. Commissioner Weiss added that he was glad for the Construction Management Firms to help make things easier.

8. Executive Director Report: (Information)

In the absence of Mr. James Brown, Mr. Kenya Bryant, Assistant Executive Director, reported agency updates as listed on handout to Board.

Mr. Bryant reported that Cornelia has been in touch with Councilman Livingston several times about the meet and greet, but a date has not been set. Mr. Bryant added that he and Mr. Brown will begin their visits with each council member after the first of the year to discuss the budget and where we are as an agency. The budget process begins in February.

Commissioner Latiff stated that if any involvement is needed by the Commissioners to attend the meetings for support, let them know.

Vice Chair Mickens thanked Mr. Bryant and Mr. Brown for working so hard to keep a good relationship with County Council.

9. Other Business:

Commissioner Latiff made a motion to change the scope of work identified in the Bond Referendum for Friarsgate Park from land purchase to park improvements, second by Commissioner Lewis. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Mickens, Latiff, Lewis, Martin, Furgess and Weiss.

Ms. Andrea Fripp, Development Director, reported that the Meet RCRC Event that was previously scheduled for November has been rescheduled for January 19, 2012 from 5:30pm until 7:00pm at the Meridian Building, Nelson Mullins Law Office. Ms. Fripp stated that the event is sponsored by Nelson Mullins and TD Bank and she would like to thank Commissioner Latiff for putting things together for her. Ms. Fripp asked the Commissioners to think again about their invitation list and get it to Cornelia by December 8, 2011. Ms. Fripp stated to keep in mind that we are trying to do a fundraiser and also give the Agency much more exposure in the corporate and business community. Ms. Fripp added that she is looking to invite the medical profession because obesity is directly related to the increase in healthcare cost so we certainly want to involve the medical community, going the athletic route. Ms. Fripp stated that she has gotten Brad Edwards, retired NFL player, as a host; Charlotte Berry, Philanthropist; Sam Tennebaum and Justin Strickland, President of Southern First Bank. Ms. Fripp asked if any

of the Board members would like her to contact names on their list to use their names for name recognition as a host, please let her know. Ms. Fripp stated that she would like to send out a save the date in mid December and invitations will go out the last week of December. Ms. Fripp stated that she is looking to send out about 300 invitations and planning for about 100 to attend. Ms. Fripp advised that there will be a slide presentation, an opportunity for questions, and each will receive a collateral package from the Foundation. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine will be served.

Ms. Fripp reported that because of the amount of money involved that she, along with Mr. Brown and Mr. Bryant, are working on naming rights. Ms. Fripp expressed her excitement and stated that she thinks this will be a fantastic event and an excellent opportunity to expose the Recreation Commission to people who do not really know all the things that we do.

Commissioner Latiff commented that Ms. Fripp has done a phenomenal job and he thanked her for all her hard work and efforts.

10. Executive Session

No items for Executive Session

Vice Chair Mickens stated that on behalf of the Commissioners, they would like to wish everyone a happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Weiss and second by Commissioner Furgess. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Mickens, Weiss, Furgess, Martin, Latiff and Lewis.

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:27p.m.



Barbara Mickens, Vice Chair

Minutes approved on this 19th day of December 2011.