

**Richland County Recreation Commission
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2013
6:00PM**

Commissioners in Attendance:

J. Marie Green, Chair
Barbara Mickens, Vice Chair
Wilbert Lewis
George Martin
Weston A. Furgess, Jr.
C. Todd Latiff

RCRC Staff in Attendance:

James Brown, III
Kenya Bryant
Curt Wilson
Ronnie Kinnett
Taurus Lewis
Tara Dickerson
Andrea Fripp
Sallie Pierce
Tony Cooper
Cornelia Watts

1. Call to Order:

Chair Green called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. and welcomed any guest.

2. Adoption of Agenda:

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

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2013 Regular Board Meeting made by Commissioner Lewis and second by Commissioner Latiff. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Green, Latiff, Lewis, Martin, Mickens and Furgess.

4. Public Input:

Mr. Hainsley Lewis, representing the Lincolnshire Deputy Keith Cannon Youth Organization, extended the invitation to the 8th Annual Back to School Bash scheduled for Saturday, August 24th from 10:00am-1:00pm at the Crane Creek Community Center. Mr. Lewis distributed flyers with details and pointed out that all types of donations would be greatly appreciated and gave his thanks in advance.

Mr. Mike Sterling addressed the Board stating that he wanted to express his concerns of the tennis courts at St. Andrews. Mr. Sterling stated that he has emailed Commissioner Latiff and the Board adding that there have been some problems and he wanted to come mainly to put some faces together. He added that Mr. Brown had done an excellent job of responding immediately when he sends something and he thinks things are headed in the right direction. Mr. Sterling stated that there once was a lot more teams at St. Andrews but they have drifted away and the courts have gotten in pretty bad disrepair, new teams are starting so we need to get things repaired and he thinks that we are headed in the right direction.

Chair Green thanked Mr. Sterling and confirmed that he had talked with Mr. Brown. Mr. Sterling stated that he talked with Mr. Brown this morning.

5. Financial Report:

Mr. Brown announced that this would be Mr. Wilson's last meeting, he is retiring on August 2nd.

The Board congratulated Mr. Wilson on his retirement.

Mr. Wilson distributed Cash Flow Chart reporting that the numbers for June are preliminary because the year has not been closed out yet. Mr. Wilson stated that the preliminary numbers indicate that the year's ending cash balance is a little

higher than forecast and that in conjunction with the additional funds from the County and the continued cash management that we have ongoing, he does not see a problem of getting through the year with the funds that we have.

Mr. Wilson reported that the preliminary numbers at LinRick show that LinRick ended the year 1.3% ahead of last year total revenue; total rounds, greens fees were the highest in four years along with the cart rentals being the highest in five years.

Mr. Wilson reported that we got 8.2% over what we got last year and that was the cap which will help with funding of the new facilities and cash management in the year to come.

6. Bond Construction Update:

Mr. Kinnett reported that the Garners Ferry Technology Center and the Garners Ferry Adult Activity Center are complete and the grand opening ceremony was held on July 1st. Mr. Kinnett reported that Kelly Mill soccer, baseball fields and parking project have been advertised for bids due August 1st. Mr. Kinnett reported that the Polo Road tennis courts have been finished and are ready for daytime use but unfortunately the electrical system was struck by lightning. Mr. Kinnett added that he was notified today that the replacement surge protectors are in and if everything goes according to schedule final inspection will be tomorrow. Mr. Kinnett reported that the Parklane Administrative office is complete and a drop in was held on July 12th. Mr. Kinnett reported that on June 17th the Board gave the Ad-Hoc Committee authorization to enter into contract negotiations for Engineering and Design Services; July 2 Ad-Hoc Committee met with the two selected firms and discussed project breakdown assignments and Engineering and Design List of Services to be provided should the Commission enter into contract, requesting each firm to submit an AIA contract proposal for consideration and we are in contract negotiations now.

Chair Green questioned if close out documents had been received from the LCM Design Group.

Mr. Brown stated that he spoke with Mr. Thompson and he would have the documents no later than Wednesday.

7. Executive Director Report:

Mr. Brown reported that a meeting is set for tomorrow to meet with the Town of Blythewood and Richland School District Two to discuss the baseball fields located in Blythewood. Mr. Brown added that he and Mr. Bryant visited Blythewood about three weeks ago and noticed that the bathrooms need an overhaul, tennis courts need lights and the shelter/canteen needs a face lift, so they will also be discussed.

Mr. Brown continued agency updates as listed on handout adding that they will have to relook at St. Andrews tennis courts because the young man did a bomb job, so we will have to look at taking legal action or have them done over.

Mr. Brown reported that the 21st Century Afterschool computer lab was moved from Crane Creek to Denny Terrace because we are no longer running Crane Creek, it has been leased to Sheriff Lott which should save RCRC a lot of money.

Commissioner Furgess questioned if the 21st Century program will now be at Denny Terrace and Mr. Bryant stated that RCRC is working with John P. Thomas and only the computer lab will be at Denny Terrace because they could not fit it at the school and it works out better this way because John P. Thomas has certified teachers to work with the children and RCRC will provide the recreation and enrichment part for after school.

Chair Green asked if the situation with Ms. Dickson-Mokeba has been resolved and Mr. Brown explained that the young man that is working on the contract with the Sheriff's department is out of town, so we are providing her with service at no cost until the contract is in place.

Commissioner Lewis asked for clarification of his understanding that the guy that did the St. Andrews tennis courts the first time came back to redo the courts and we are still having problems and Mr. Brown confirmed that the guy did a bomb job and we are working on getting them repaired.

8. Other Business:

Mr. Bryant announced that in lieu of Mr. Wilson's retirement, Ms. Andrea Fripp will be the Division Head for Business Systems effective August 2, 2013.

Ms. Fripp introduced Sallie Pierce, the new Development Support person for the Foundation who has been a tremendous support during the transition.

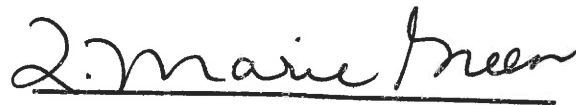
9. Executive Session

No items for Executive Session.

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

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:25p.m.



J. Marie Green, Chair

Minutes approved on the 16th day of September 2013.