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Richland County Recreation Commission
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2020
6:00PM

Commissioners in Attendance:

Lisa Cotten
Robert Lapin
Donzetta Lindsay
Thomas Clark
Stephen Venugopal
Jermaine Johnson

1. Call to Order:

Chair Cotten called the meeting to order at 6:02p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion to adopt the agenda made by Commissioner Clark and second by Commissioner Lindsay. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Clark, Lapin, Lindsay, Venugopal, Johnson and Cotten.

3. Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from the December 16, 2019 Regular Board Meeting made by Commissioner Lapin and second by Commissioner Venugopal. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Clark, Lapin, Lindsay, Johnson, Venugopal, and Cotten.

4. Public Input:

Willie Lyles – Presented Parklane AAC REC Committee concerns, regarding finances, programs offered and paperwork.

Michael Loftis – Request to rescind the downtime for field usage for the month of February, not just for Blythewood Baseball but for all the spring leagues.

Gretchen Barron – Candidate for Richland County Council District 7 shared her candidacy's platform.

5. Financial Report:

Brandy James, Chief Financial Officer, presented financial reports included in the Board's packet and answered questions.

6. New Business:

- Mr. David Loebeck, First Citizens Bank, presented an overview of investment strategies prepared for the Richland County Recreation Commission for consideration and answered questions.
- Ms. Watson presented recommendation for disposal of Fitness Equipment at Denny Terrace Gymnasium, Meadowlake Park and Hopkins Park included in the Board's packet for Action.

Motion made by Commissioner Venugopal to accept staff's recommendation for removal of Fitness Equipment and to survey the Meadowlake community for replacement of fitness equipment or game room, second by Commissioner Lapin. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Cotten, Lapin, Lindsay, Clark, Venugopal and Johnson.

- Ms. Watson presented recommendation for disposal of computers included in Board's packet for Action.

Motion made by Commissioner Clark to accept staff's recommendation for disposal of computers, second by Commissioner Lindsay. Motion

approved unanimously by all members present; Cotten, Clark, Lindsay, Lapin, Johnson and Venugopal.

7. Other Business:

- Ms. Watson presented Executive Director Report.
- Ms. Watson presented Request for Waiver of Facility Fees from the Richland Democratic Women's Council for use of the Parklane Adult Activity Center.
- Ms. Watson presented Request for Waiver of Facility Fees from the Pine Grove Cemetery Organization for use of the Pine Grove Community Center.

Chair Cotten tabled the Request for Waiver of Facility Fees from the Richland Democratic Women's Council until the February Board meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Lapin to accept staff's recommendation of no waiver of fees requested by the Pine Grove Cemetery Organization, second by Commissioner Venugopal. Vote of 5 Yea (Cotten, Lapin, Venugopal, Clark and Johnson). Vote of 1 Nay (Lindsay). Motion passed.

8. Executive Session:

No items for Executive Session

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Venugopal, second by Commissioner Lapin. Motion approved unanimously by all members present; Cotten, Clark, Lapin, Johnson, Venugopal, and Lindsay.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.



Lisa Cotten, Chair

Minutes approved on this 24th day of February 2020.