**Goose Creek Recreation Commission Meeting**

March 6th, 2023

6:00PM

**Present:**

* Commission: Chairman Jerry Glass, Lynn Greer, Milton Terre, Jeff Reuer, Harris Houston.
* Staff: Crystal Reed, Arielle Mann
* Public: Kathleen Russell, John Trepen

**Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Jerry Glass.

**Public comments:** N/A

**Minutes:**

* Chairman Glass asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 6th 2023 meeting.
  + Motion was granted by Commissioner Milton Terre
  + Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lynn Greer
    - All in favor, motion carried.

**Financial Reports:**

* Chairman Glass asked for a motion to approve the financial reports for February 2023.
  + Motion was granted by Commissioner Lynn Greer
  + Seconded by Commissioner Milton Terre
    - All in favor, motion carried

**Introductions:**

* Commissioners in study of Office Candidates – Electing officials.
  + Motion granted to keep officials as is granted by Lynn Greer
  + Motion was seconded by Jeff Reuer
* Opportunity to recommend to County Council for a vacancies
* Make a recommendation to fill 2 positions
* Recommendation to move forward to make a selection
  + District
    - Anthony Radcliffe
    - John Trepen
    - James Hill
    - Selected by Secret Ballot
    - **Individual selected: Anthony Radcliffe has been recommended for the District seat. This information will be forwarded to County Council.**
  + City
    - Mike Mears – does not live in City
    - Kathleen Russell
    - Individual was not selected.
    - City position will be re-announced to increase the applicant pool.
* The Commission has selected an individual from the district to represent the commission moving forward. Selected for District: Anthony Radcliffe.
* Misdirection in Applications – one applicant lived in the District, not City. We will request the City position be posted out for additional applicants.
* Statement of Economic Interest due every January. Chairman Jerry Glass filled it out and completed it today March 6th, 2023, and it was accepted electronically.

**New business:**

* *Parks/Maintenance Report:* 
  + Team has been getting ready Spring.
  + Practices and games have started
  + Field Prep: Signs were posted to clear the fields and give other options to public to play in other areas to let the fields rest.
  + New groundskeeper started today.
  + Central Creek maintenance position recently opened.
  + If you know anyone in the community: full time position are posted.
  + Recreation buildings for maintenance/custodians are fully staffed.
* *Recreation Report:* 
  + Special Events: Love & Lasers – different twist on Valentine’s Day event. Full event.
  + BBQ at Carnes
  + Special Event Season – schedule available.
  + April 1st – Easter Egg Hunt at Dogwood
  + April 8th – Splash Pad Grand opening.
    - Setting up different events around the park to help crowd control.
  + Stunt Masters BMX Show coming out Friday 03/10/2023
  + Chairman Jerry Glass – how do you get access to that area. Crystal Reed confirmed it is open to the public for events.
  + We are trying to balance holding Special Events
  + Similar to the pool in Crowfield – the pool is open to the public.
  + A lot of our programs are open to the residents and non-residents, there are non-resident fees applied to those non-residents.
  + Youth Sports: We’re running out of field space.
  + Registration ended a month ago, we have not minimized timeline, registration cut-offs, etc.
  + The City is growing and people are excited with what Goose Creek is doing.
  + Revenue is good, where do you put everybody.
  + Practices and Games: Monday – Thursday. Games: Saturdays
  + Continuing practicing through the season.
  + Public school space availability?
  + Fall season is the busiest with football and cheerleading added in too.
  + Agreement with Berkeley County Schools: 3 new fields in the spring.
  + Church space availability?
  + Athletics: position offered to a grad assistant Coach at LSU Basketball. His mentor is Coach Hall at Goose Creek High School. Hopefully he will start in a month. Will coordinate: Winter basketball, summer basketball, soccer in fall and spring, any specialty sports.
  + Opening Day for Sports
    - Pictures, announcements, DJ, Face Painting, Food Trucks
  + Art in the City of Goose Creek is part of Recreation.
  + Art Walk in April
  + Poetry Night – work with school district, food truck, music at Central Creek Park to utilize stage area.
  + Senior Olympics: March 25th – Pickleball, Cornhole, Free throw basketball
* Comment: Jeff Reuer: walking through Central Creek Park Saturday afternoon. Children using some of the equipment were older teenagers.
  + Crystal Reed: Signage is everywhere. The quality equipment we chose seems to be holding. Park monitor positions are open to help monitor. Currently paying off-duty officers to monitor. What is hard about the age is a lot of our adults with special needs will use the equipment as well. The area is patrolled regularly, cameras are installed.

**Public Comments:**

No closing public comments.

**Questions:**

No questions.

**Adjournment:**

* Chairman Glass made a motion to close the meeting at 7:00 PM
* The motion was granted by Commissioner Jeff Reuer
* The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milton Terre
  + All in favor.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Monday, April 3rd, 2023 at 6:00PM

Minutes approved for March 6th, 2023