

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
January 18, 2024

Present:

- Ned Michie, Hosea (planning commission), Jessica Jackson, Jeff Fracher, Denny Berry - Vice Chair

Staff:

- Will Bassett, Avery Watkins, Riaan Anthony, Steve Gaines, Chris Gensic

Administrative items

- Board voted- Ned Michie - Chair
- Ned started nominations for Vice Chair
 - Board members voted Denny- Vice Chair

Public Matters

n/a

Information items:

I-1 Introduction – Ms. Abi Nader

- Gave self-introduction.

I-2 Meadowcreek Update- Chris Gensic

- Ned gave introduction on the trail project.
 - Path to Greenbrier school, John Warner Parkway paved pad connection
 - Increases connectivity to various parts of the city.
- Chris G
 - Gave an overview of general project focus via map and PowerPoint
 - Shared use path connecting Locust Ave/ Pen Park to McIntire Park, Existing John Warner Parkway Trail, Connection to 250 Bypass at Hydraulic Road, Shared use path connecting Meadow Creek Gardens to Greenbrier Park

I-3 CIP & Project Update

- Riaan - Reviewed old CIP request that staff are still working on
 - Maplewood Cemetery Wall
 - Got 1 bid. Contactor is set to remove damaged area and replace it
 - Oakwood Cemetery draining
 - Broken sewer line and 2 springs causing draining issue.
 - McIntire Little league draining
 - Environmental issue with drainage into the river
 - Washington Park pool
 - Shell resurface, improve pool lights, re designing pump room and updates
 - Tonsler parking lot expansion
 - Adding 20 parking spaces and eliminating the circle
 - Pen park fitness trail
 - Fixed bridge and fixing various pieces of fitness equipment.
 - Park outdoor restrooms
 - Maintaining restrooms and prevention of vandalism
 - Garden plots
 - Revamp to make more attractive
 - Rives, Michie Dr
 - Shade structures
 - Washington Park diamond field and pool

I-4 Mall tree study- Steve Gaines

- Downton Mall management plan
 - Provide accurate perspective of current health and vigor of existing trees on Downtown mall.
 - Holistic view of what they want the mall to become
 - Options for considerations
 - How to remove trees ?
 - What species of tree replacements and when to install ?

I-5 Dogs in the Park

- Where are we lacking in our system for dog areas ?
 - Feather it into the entire plan
 - Where is it needed? Off leash vs. on leash
 - RA- put in a flyer with Westhaven/ CHRA educating residents on dog laws and waste removal

Chairman's Matters

Board Matters

Directors Matters

Closed Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Avery Watkins

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