
**Recreation Authority Board
Thursday, June 13, 2024 – 2:00pm**

Bethesda Park Senior Center

225 Bethesda Church Road, Lawrenceville GA 30044

Present: Brad Alexander, Eric Thigpen, Norman Carter, and Sarah Overs

Present via Webex: Rashida Wilson

Not present: Bruce Johnson, Kyle VanNus, Samia Abdulle, and Pam Cox

1. Call to Order
2. Temporary Meeting Chairperson
Secretary Lindsey Jorstad called the meeting to order. Due to the absence of a Chair and Vice Chairperson, the Recreation Authority named Brad Alexander to preside over the June 13, 2024 meeting.
{Action: Approved; Motion: Carter; Second: Thigpen; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}
3. Welcome/Announcements
4. Approval of Agenda
{Action: Approved; Motion: Thigpen; Second: Carter; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}
5. Approval of Minutes: February 8, 2024
{Action: Approved; Motion: Overs; Second: Carter; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}
6. Election of Officers
The Recreation Authority made a motion to appoint Brad Alexander as the Chairperson of the Recreation Authority.
{Action: Approved; Motion: Thigpen; Second: Carter; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}

The Recreation Authority made a motion to appoint Norman Carter as the Vice Chairperson of the Recreation Authority.
{Action: Approved; Motion: Alexander; Second: Overs; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}

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7. Staff Presentations

Deputy Division Director, Sarah Barlow, presented a 'Summer in Gwinnett' review covering accomplishments like the agency being a Gold Medal Finalist for National Recreation and Park Association for a second year in a row, status of the Summer Meals Program and Summer Camp, highlights in aquatics, athletics, grounds maintenance, special events and rentals, and adaptive programs.

Division Director, Glenn Boorman, provided a Project Administration review covering multiple project accomplishments and updates. This included the Ivy Creek Greenway Ribbon Cutting, George Pierce Park's multipurpose field synthetic turf replacement, Lenora Park additions, Eastern Regional Greenway Trailhead status, Gwinnett Environmental & Heritage Center's Sensory Treehouse, groundbreaking of Singleton Park and Greenway, stream restoration at Jones Bridge Park, replastering at the Mountain Park Aquatic Center, Discovery Park, Beaver Ruin Wetland Park, Gwinnett Trails Master Plan update and more.

8. Facility Tour

The Recreation Authority made a motion to amend the agenda and remove the facility tour.

{Action: Approved; Motion: Overs; Second: Thigpen; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; Wilson-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Thigpen-Yes}}

9. Comments from Audience

10. Adjournment

{Action: Approved; Motion: Thigpen; Second: Carter; {Vote: (5-0) Carter-Yes; VanNus-Yes; Alexander-Yes; Overs-Yes; Abdulle-Yes}}