

CUMBERLAND COUNTY RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minute Notes

A meeting of the Cumberland County Recreation Commission (CCRC) was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at The Cumberland County Administration Building in Bridgeton and via Microsoft Teams and/or Teleconference.

Present: JT Burks Chris Wilson
 John Fuqua Carman Daddario
 Director Barber

Staff: Matthew Pisarski, Department Head
 Omarey Williams, Shared Services Coordinator
 Wanda Riviera, Confidential Assistant

Guest: Bill McCall
 Bert Doremus

Approval of Minutes – September 2022

A motion was made to approve the minutes from September by Mr. Wilson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fuqua and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – October 2022

A motion was made to approve the minutes from October by Mr. Fuqua. The motion was seconded by Director Barber and passed unanimously.

Sponsorship Requests

West Cumberland Little League submitted a sponsorship request for \$750. A motion was made to approve the \$750 sponsorship by Mr. Fuqua. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilson and passed unanimously.

Bridgeton Midget Football submitted a sponsorship request for \$750. A motion was made to approve the \$750 sponsorship by Director Barber. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daddario and passed unanimously.

Memorialization of Sponsorship Requests from October

A motion needs to be made to memorialize the sponsorships for C4 Mountain Bike Team and Our Future First. A motion was made to approve the two sponsorships by Director Barber. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilson and passed unanimously.

Mr. Williams stated with the approval of the sponsorships it will zero out recreations budget for 2022.

Discussion of 2023 Meeting Dates

Everyone received in their packet a list of the 2023 meeting dates. All meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 3pm. Director Barber suggested changing the meeting time if quorum is still going to be an issue in 2023.

Election of Recreation Commission Officers for 2023

Mr. Williams said the proposed slate is Mr. Sheppard as Chair and Mr. Wilson as Vice Chair. Mr. Williams asked if there were any other nominations for those two positions, if not he would like a motion for approval. A motion was made to approve Mr. Sheppard as Chair and Mr. Wilson as Vice Chair by Mr. Fuqua. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daddario and passed unanimously.

Discussion of Bridgeton Trail Project – Mr. Doremus

Mr. Doremus and Mr. McCall are asking for assistance from the Recreation Commission and the Cumberland County Planning Board with signage and mapping for the walking trails in the City of Bridgeton Park. Mr. Williams asked what they are specifically asking for, Mr. Doremus stated they would like a completed walking trail map and through out the park they would like signage that gives distances and directions of the trail. Mr. McCall said there is over 12 miles of walking trails. Mr. Daddario asked if a date can be set to walk through the park to have a better idea what is being asked for. Mr. Williams stated the City of Bridgeton would have to be involved in the project. The mapping that Mr. Doremus and Mr. McCall provided are not GIS maps so the mapping would have to be completely redone. Mr. Williams said the next step will be setting up a meeting with City of Bridgeton to discuss the project and to see how everyone can assist with completing the signage for the walking trails.

Discussion of Joint December Meeting with Tourism and Cultural and Heritage Commissions

In December a meeting will not be held, in its place a joint holiday luncheon with Tourism, Recreation and Cultural & Heritage will take place.

Planning Department Updates – Matthew Pisarski

Mr. Williams reported that the Department of Planning, Tourism and Community Affairs will be moving to the 4H building in Millville in early/mid 2023. Once the move takes place meetings will be held on Morton Avenue. Mr. Pisarski will be the department head of 4H.

County Commissioner Comments

Director Barber said the move to 4H will be a great step forward. Director Barber stated she will continue to advocate for recreation.

Recreation Commissioners Comments

Mr. Daddario and Mr. Fuqua said the chair and vice chair are good appointments.

Mr. Fuqua said he would like to see what information the survey provided and get to work on making the area parks better.

Mr. Wilson thanked Director Barber for appointing him to the commission and all she does for the youth of county. Mr. Wilson stated he hopes when the survey becomes available that the Commissioners listen to the recreation members because they are the ones out in the community and have a better understanding where funding could go.

Mr. Williams stated the commission will have a say where funding is spent, and he is looking into other grant sources.

All the commission members thanked Director Barber for her service.

Public Comments

Correspondence

Old/New Business

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Daddario. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burks and passed unanimously.