



Minutes
City of Hartsville South Carolina
Parks Committee Special Meeting
Wednesday, October 9, 2019 – 5:00pm
Public Services Office, 402 S Leesburg Street

Pursuant to Freedom of Information Act SC Code 30-4-80: Written notice was delivered to the press by email on Tuesday, October 8, 2019, and duly posted at 402 S Leesburg Street and on hartsvillesc.gov.

Members Present: Antonio de Ridder, Ken Hughes, Rose Williams, Brent Beasley

Members Absent: Bryson Caldwell

Council Ex-Officio: Bobby McGee

Staff Present: Russell Slatton, Adam Bedard, Alisha Belk

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Chair, Ken Hughes.

Minutes

Committee approved minutes from the August 21, 2019. Discussion was had about sending out packet prior to each meeting so that the minutes could be reviewed prior to meeting and then approved. Russell advised that we would check with the City Clerk to make sure there would be no violations in doing so.

Review of Parks section of Codes

Ken Hughes asked Russell if he had anything even though he was not on the agenda. Russell asked that in the next meeting we add to the agenda to review the definitions of Parks Committee as to what the purpose of the committee is and what they are put together to do.

Discussion of Walk/Bike Trails Identification and Integration

- a. Members were asked to visit a Park that isn't in their neighborhood and with a fresh set of eyes and report back things that they see may need some attention.
- b. Ken passed out a hand out which is the analysis of the walking and bike trails in Hartsville. Ken asked the committee to review the analysis and be ready to discuss at the December meeting. Ken suggested that this may be something that this committee could work on and then take any recommendations to the City Council. There are certain intersections that need better signage for cyclists and pedestrians alike.
- c. Ken has asked Curtis Lee from City Planning Commission to come and speak with the group to see if there is a way that they might could form a partnership.
- d. Ken stated that there are some residents that would like the Turkey Trot route marked with signs and possible mile markers along that trail since it is already mapped out and measured.

Prior Events

- a. September had a softball tournament that brought 18 teams with another scheduled October 12th bringing 21 teams into Hartsville.
- b. County flag football started and has 8 teams.
- c. HUSL is a soccer league that has 124 participants. This is an outside organization that rents out the fields at Byerly to host their league.

New Hire Updates

- a. Chuck Mullen is the new Recreation and Sports Supervisor. He has brought a lot of different ideas from both the North and City of Columbia on ways to do things, programs that may or may not work and how to make them possibly work for the city.
- b. Parks Maintenance worker was hired to cut grass, line fields, take care of the irrigation system

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Ken Hughes, Chair

Date