



Minutes
City of Hartsville South Carolina
Parks Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 14, 2021 – 5:00pm
Public Services Building- 402 S Leesburg St

Pursuant to Freedom of Information Act SC Code 30-4-80: Written notice was delivered to the press by email on Friday, April 9, 2021, and duly posted at 402 S Leesburg Street and on hartsvillesc.gov.

Members Present: Antonio de Ridder, Ken Hughes, Nique Knockemus
Members Absent: Rose Williams, Brent Beasley
Council Ex-Officio: Bobby McGee
Staff Present: Adam Bedard, Alisha Belk, Charles Mullen

The meeting was called to order at 5:02pm by Chair, Ken Hughes.

Minutes

On motion made and seconded to amend the minutes, committee approved minutes from the February 2021 meeting as amended.

Discuss Modifications to 5k/10k Routes

Adam stated that he was not sure if Russ had been able to meet with SCDOT before his departure regarding modifications. Adam asked the committee if they had any ideas on where the route could be done without going across any major streets. Adam suggested that they get a map and at the next meeting and they can take a closer look at some suggestions that may work for the routes. The end goal would be to have a certified 5k route within the city. Adam and Nique will work together and see if they can come up with something to present to the committee.

Discuss Street Crossings

The crosswalk for Home and Woodland was approved by SCDOT. Adam suggested that the crosswalk at Fourth and Railroad but put on the back burner until the Canal District has been developed. He also suggested that the board focus on two crosswalks at a time to get SCDOT approval and then work on another two. The two he suggested to concentrate on at this time is Power St at Fourteenth St and Washington at Barefoot.

Discuss Bike to the Future and Ghost Bike Memorials

Antonio de Ridder is in the process of getting in touch with the families of Andy Kilpatrick and Patrick Sawyer to get their approval on the Ghost Bike Memorials. Adam requested if Antonio could have the power point sent to him so this idea could be discussed with Daniel.

Parks and Recreation Manager Updates

- a. Adam Bedard advised the committee that Russell Slatton was no longer with the city and that he had been named the Interim Parks and Recreation Director and he would also be taking over the Parks Committee. He also informed the committee that Alisha Belk would no longer be the committee recorder since Parks and Recreation was being split away from Public Services. He introduced Charles Mullen as the new committee recorder.
- b. The first adult Kickball Tournament is being on April 17 with 11 teams coming into Byerly Park. Hoping to have the tournament here 2 to 4 times a year.

- c. Adam asked the committee their opinion on installing a split rail fence system at Byerly Park along the sides of the fields to deter people from parking on the grass and killing it. They have previously installed a natural bed along the Russell Road side but was trying to find a more cost efficient option for example: the natural bed that was previously installed cost \$4500 for 100 feet and the split rail fencing would be \$735 for 300 feet. This would be done in 4 to 6 phases to keep the cost down. The committee all agreed that the split rail fencing would be the best option both cost wise and aesthetically.
- d. Brent Beasley had requested in the last meeting if the City could look into adding a covering over the tables out at the park and we are waiting for quote from Dempsey.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Ken Hughes, Chair

Date