**Hart County Recreation Department**

**Recreation Advisory Board Minutes**

**August 15, 2016**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Marshall Sayer, Chairman.

**Present:** Marshall Sayer, Bill Granger, Robby Johnson, Bob Frye, and Jessica Seawright.

**Staff Present:** Jim Owens, Recreation Director

Robby Johnson made a motion to amend the agenda to add Approval of the minutes. Bob Frye gave a second. Vote: 5-0.

Bob Frye made a motion to hear an appeal from Ty Bates. Robby Johnson gave a second. Vote: 5-0

**Approval of the minutes:** Motion to approve by Robby Johnson and a second by Bill Granger. Vote: 5-0.

**Ty Bates Appeal:** Chairman Sayer asked Mr. Bates if he had applied to be a coach for this season. Mr. Bates replied that

he had not. Mr. Bates was informed that the Hart County Board of Commissioners set the Background Check Policy for volunteers. The Recreation Advisory Board does not have the authority to change the policy. A motion was made by Robby Johnson that Walter Gordon be in the Bates Appeal meeting if one takes place. A second was given by Bill Granger. Vote: 5-1. Lonnie Robinson apposed. Mr. Robinson did not feel the need to bring in an attorney.

Lonnie Robinson came in during this appeal.

**Chairman’s Report:** None

**Board Members Reports:** Lonnie Robinson spoke on the stairs near the Recreation Offices and the playground at the Clay Street Park. Mr. Robinson also mentioned the lights on the lower tennis courts and the basketball areas. Mr. Robinson also inquired about the gas appliances and getting them hooked up.

Bob Frye asked for the contact information for the Recreation Directors of Franklin County and Stephens County.

**Director’s Report:** Director Owens encouraged the members to attend the BOC meeting when they discuss the Recreation Department budget.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Director Owens discussed buying a new motorized paint sprayer. Director Owens also informed the R.A.B. about the Hart Beat Running Club which is coached by Karen Brown. A motion was made by Bob Frye and a second was given by Bill Granger to allow the Hart Beat Running Club to use Mill Town Campground for practice and potentially to have meets as well.

Jerry Mcann spoke to the board explaining how the Kawanis Club of Hartwell would like to have a signature event like Opening Day for Youth Football or the Turkey Bowl to partner with the Recreation Department to help the kids of Hart County. Director Owens was asked to put together a supply list and a budget for Jerry Mcann and the Kawanis Club.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by . A second was provided by . Vote: 6-0.

Minutes by James A. Owens

Recreation Director

Cc: Terrell Partain, Interim County Administrator

Next regular scheduled meeting: September 19, 2016, at 6:00 pm at the Clay Street Park Community Room. Meeting time may be changed due to circumstances. Notification will be given as soon as possible in the event of a change.