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**Hart County Recreation Department**

**Recreation Advisory Board Minutes**

**Regular Meeting**

**May 15, 2017**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Bob Frye, Vice Chairman.

**Present:** Bob Frye, Lonnie Robinson, Jessica Seawright, Erin Gaines, and Bill Fogerty.

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

**Guests:** Marshall Sayer, BOC, Michael Isom from The Hartwell Sun

**Approval of the minutes:** A motion was made by Lonnie Robinson and a second by Erin Gaines to approve the minutes from 3/20/17. Vote: 5-0.

**Chairman’s Report:** Chairman Frye mentioned the Recreation Director shall serve as secretary in lieu of a board member. Mr. Frye also asked about installing men’s and women’s bathroom signs at the SRC baseball/softball complex.

**Board Member’s Reports:**

*Lonnie Robinson*: Asked aboutthe separation of the tennis court lighting and the step repair project.

*Bill Fogerty*: None.

*Jessica Seawright*: None.

*Erin Gaines*: Asked what is the HCRPD policy regarding hazardous lightning. Mrs. Gaines motioned that HCRPD recommend to the Hart County Little League that they move their Lightning Strike distance from 5 miles to 8 miles which coincides with the Georgia High policy and to update the facility use agreement for next year and following years. A second was given by Bill Fogerty. VOTE: 5-0

**Director’s Report:** Director Owens gave an update on the upcoming Youth Football and Cheerleader uniforms. Director Owens also informed the Board about the dates of registration for Youth Football and Cheerleading. Registration will begin on July 5. The last day of registration will be July 22. The coaches’ selection meeting will tentatively by on July 24. Opening Day is tentatively scheduled for September 9. Mr. Robinson asked about the background check for the volunteers and could we perform a national background check instead of only a State of Georgia check.

**Old Business:** Lonnie Robinson moved to table the discussion about the Long Range Plan Update and schedule a work session. A second was given by Erin Gaines. VOTE: 5-0

Programs: Mrs. Gaines asked about the expense of starting a Lacrosse program through the recreation department.

**New Business:** Mr. Fogerty suggests the Home Depot provide the resources and labor to complete some projects at the Clay Street Park Community Center. Mr. Fogerty asked when the steps outside the Community Center will be repaired.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Lonnie Robinson. A second was provided by Erin Gaines. Vote: 5-0.

Minutes by James A. Owens

Recreation and Parks Director

Cc: Terrell Partain, County Administrator

Next scheduled meeting: June 19, 2017, 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.