

BEAUFORT COUNTY PARKS & LEISURE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 6TH, 2004
DALE CENTER
2:30 P.M.

Present: Arthur Middleton, Chairman
Orethia White, Vice Chair
Corinne Hagood
Allan Stern
William Brown
William Grayson

Non- Board Members Present: H.C. Boehm, Jr., Director, Development and Services

Absent: Thomas Mobley
Michael Manesiotis

PALS Staff: John Miller, Director, Northern Beaufort PALS
Joe Penale, Director, Southern Beaufort PALS
Jeannie Wells, Assistant to the Directors, PALS
Clarissa Douglas- Recreation Supervisor, PALS

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Middleton called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF June 3, 2004 AGENDA

Mr. Stern motioned to approve June 3, 2004 agenda.

Mr. Brown seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF May 6, 2004 MINUTES

Mr. Stern motioned to approve May 6, 2004 minutes.

Mrs. White seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDANCE

Mr. Middleton welcomed Mr. Grayson to the PALS Board and congratulated John Miller and Joe Penale on making director of Northern and Southern Beaufort PALS, respectively.

Mr. Boehm explained the new organization of PALS to the board. There is now Northern Beaufort PALS and Southern Beaufort PALS. An organizational chart was handed out before the board commenced.

Mr. Stern asked where Joe would be located and where athletics would be located. Mr. Penale answered that he will be in Hilton Head at Green Shell Park and athletics will be in both Bluffton and Hilton Head. The athletic position in Hilton Head may move from Crossings Park in the future, Mr. Penale is looking into it. The athletic position in Bluffton is at the Bluffton Center.

Mr. Boehm briefly went over the PALS budget presentation to the County Council. A PALS final personnel requirement is an additional four people, however council had the idea that 30 new people were needed due to misinformation.

Summer Camp was briefly discussed. Mr. Boehm explained that with the increase in fees, the projected revenue was over \$100K this year. Last year revenue was \$46K. Now, revenues are at \$20K. This is simply because of the increase in fees. Registration is extended to May 14, 2004 in hopes to get more children registered. Along with decrease in participation, there is also a decrease in jobs for the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE

PALS is interviewing for both Marketing/Special Events and Athletic Director positions. All softball is going well. Women's softball begins on May 18, 2004. Colonel Brown, for the Sheriff's Department will ensure that extra patrols are provided for all PALS activities, north and south of the Broad River. Men's Basketball Season is about to begin. The Grand Opening for Burton Wells is on May 15 from 10 am –1 pm. Scott Center should be ready in about 2 weeks. Hopefully the opening ceremony can be in mid-June. Port Royal is being remodeled and there will be another grand opening there. Summer Camp is from June 7 to July 17 2004.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Grayson inquired about the revision of the Athletic Director job description. Mr. Miller explained that PALS sent a letter to HR and is awaiting a response from them. He will get some information by the next PALS Board Meeting. Due to the budget season, HR may not have had time to look at that issue just yet.

Mrs. White asked the status of Camp St. Mary's. Mr. Boehm answered that a lead paint inspection was done for the requested area of the building last year and the problem fixed. The next step is to get the asbestos inspections done to see if the building can be demolished. The existing pool is going to be destroyed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Stern would like the PALS Board to send to the county, along with the CIP list, attachments that show the operational costs of any requested program, building, etc. This way, the county has a clear picture of what is needed for any operations before signing off on any item. Mr. Boehm suggested that staff should sit down with the committee and go over the current CIP for the next five years to re-evaluate the locations of monies. Mrs. White suggested that the entire board sit down together regarding budgetary issues.

NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting is Thursday, June 3, 2004 at 2:30 p.m. at the Burton Wells Complex, 1 Middleton Recreation Drive, Burton, SC 29906.

Meeting adjourned at 3:08 PM.

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