

Town of Richlands
Recreation Commission
December 19th 2022

The Richlands Recreation Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present:

Craig Earls	Tony Cordle
Freddie Elswick	Corey Whited
Jared Horn	Mark Gillespie

Members Absent: Frances Meadows, Rocky Hill
Town Council: Jordan Bales
Recreation: Jessica Reynolds
Other:

Tony Cordle called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Public Comments:
None

Old Business:

Corey Whited made a motion to approve the minutes of the November meeting. Freddie Elswick seconded the motion. No further comments. Motion carries 6/0.

New Business:

Commission Vacancy:

Tony Cordle: We do have one open spot on the Recreation Commission and Jeff Hurst advised that he can return. Craig Earls made a motion to approve Jordan Bales to present Jeff Hurst to the Town Council for appointment to the Recreation Commission. Corey Whited seconded the motion. No further comments. Motion carries 6/0.

ARPA Funds Request:

Jessica Reynolds: Advised that at the last Town Council meeting they want to move the funding decision until the new council members are included.

Jordan Bales: Is the commission ok with holding a joint meeting our next scheduled meeting with the Town Council at the Town Hall at 7PM? The group discussed, and is ok with the having our next scheduled meeting at the Town Hall as a joint meeting with the Town Council.

Tony Cordle: We have a lot of safety issues that need addressed from our request, so I think this is great we can meet with them to discuss.

Recreation Director Updates:

Jessica Reynolds: Our last league volleyball game is Tuesday. We had over 200 kids, and we did make up most games that were moved out due to sicknesses. We made about \$9000 for the season. We also took over the youth basketball and we have had a great turnout so far at 278 kids. The basketball registration fees came in around \$7000.

Tony Cordle: Should we look at getting another part time worker?

Jessica: We have a few life guards that can help as needed. So, that really helped us. I also implemented a volunteer program for high school and college students.

Tony Cordle: This time of the year we do the volunteer of the year award. We need to discuss names and bring them back to the town council meeting. We may need to push it to February since we have a joint meeting.

Mark Gillespie: We went to the school board to get approval to build the varsity baseball field beside of the Elementary school. They supported the proposal.

Craig Earls: Did you get the floor cleaning machine for the gym?

Jessica Reynolds: As part of RYBL proceeds from last year, we are getting this donated. The main item we need to deal with immediately is the slide replacement. We only found the one from a particular company and they need a 11/12-week lead-time. The town workers also need a good lead-time so we can get the concrete work completed. One slide is working, and one is broken.

Jordan Bales: So, at minimum we will need to take the slides down either way.

Jessica Reynolds: Yes, we can run the pool without the slides. We still need this upstairs room renovated as well, so we need to make sure it is scheduled if we get it approved. I talked to George, and we want him dedicated during the cold period.

Jordan Bales: We want to make sure it is scheduled so we can get it finished in a timely manner.

Miscellaneous Updates:

None

No further discussions.

Craig Earls made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Corey Whited seconded the motion. No further comments. Motion carries 6/0.

Next Meeting January 16th at 7:00 P.M at the Richlands Town Hall.