

Town of Richlands
Recreation Commission
February 19, 2024

The Richlands Recreation Commission held a regular meeting at 7:00pm with the following members present: Tony Cordle, Jeff Hurst, Jared Horn, Corey Whited, Richard Boyd, Aaron Buchanan, Michele Blankenship, Scarlett May, Frances Meadows, Anthony Cox-Rec Director, Jordan Bales, Council Rep, Jason May, Town manager also present.

Meeting called to order and prayer given by Tony Cordle.

Motion made to approve the agenda by Frances Meadows and seconded by Jared Horn. Approved 9/0

Motion made to approve minutes from October 24, 2023 meeting (February 19, 2024 was the first meeting that had a quorum to approve minutes) by Jared Horn and seconded by Frances Meadows. Approved.

No one present for Public comments.

Aaron Buchanan spoke about the upgrade to the high school football field that is scheduled to begin on April 15, 2024. Aaron also explained that the high school (JV & Varsity) soccer teams will need to move their practice to the Rec Park soccer field. Anthony Cox will coordinate with the coaches on a practice schedule. There is an MOU in place with the High School. A motion was made by Jared Horn to approve this usage seconded by Frances Meadows. Approved 9/0

Lisa Cordle was present to discuss the use of the Rec Park softball field again this year for the Middle School softball team, as it was used last year. Again, Anthony Cox will coordinate with Lisa and the softball team to make available.

Jason May, Town Manager ask to invite the coaches to the next meeting to discuss the practice schedule or to just reach out to Anthony Cox.

Aaron Buchanan wanted to discuss the Lake Park T-Ball field (Aaron is the T-Ball Coordinator). Aaron ask that the Lake Park field be reserved Monday – Thursday from March thru T-Ball season. Rec Director ask for a field usage form to be filed and a copy of the insurance policy from the league. Motion made by Aaron Buchanan and seconded by Richard Boyd. Approved 9/0

Jordan Bales, Council Rep ask that the Recreation Commission adopt Roberts Rules Of Order for the meetings. Motion made by Corey Whited and seconded by Jared Horn. Approved 9/0

New members were placed into chairman, vice chair and secretary positions at this meeting. Jeff Hurst-Chairman, Corey Whited-Vice Chair, Frances Meadows-Secretary.

Tony Cordle ask for members to think about new goals for the Rec Department for 2024. He ask that they bring ideas back to the next meeting.

Rec Director-Anthony Cox had updates for the activities going on at the Rec Park. BIG BLUE TOURNAMENT is scheduled for the weekend.

Middle school boys tryouts for baseball

Middle school girls tryouts for softball

Rec League Volleyball was a big success

A number of new lights were installed in the gym

Garage door was ordered

Andrea Perkins wants to run a soccer skills camp

Pickleball - Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Thinking about starting a League?

Tiny Tots soccer

Weight Room staying busy

Working on times to have pool and concession open this season

PortoPot was placed at Critterville for the winter since the bathrooms were winterized and locked.

Anthony also talked to the commission about having a gate with a lock placed at the Lake Park T-Ball field. This was brought to Anthony by Rocky Hill. No further discussion on this matter at this time.

No further business was discussed. Motion was made to adjourn by Corey Whited seconded by Jared Horn. Approved 9/0