



Town of Beaufort, NC

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Town of Beaufort Parks & Recreation Advisory Board 6:30 PM Thursday, August 01, 2024 - Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, Beaufort, NC 28516 Monthly Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:43 p.m.

Members Present: Sheresa Elliot, Doug Williams, Ron Dupuis and Michael Rave

Members Absent: Barbara Francis Heckman and Brian O'Haver

Staff Present: Parks Coordinator Rachel Johnson

Agenda Approval

Approved unanimously.

Minutes Approval

Minutes from the June 2024 Parks & Recreation meeting were approved unanimously.

Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Staff Report

1. Updates: Grants, Art in the Park, Staffing, Art project

Parks Coordinator Rachel Johnson provided staff updates on Grants, Art in the Park, Staffing, ECHS Art project

The full-time Parks Director position recommended in the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan was not funded in the FY 2024-25 budget.

The Storm drain art project with Duke and ECHS students has received favorable responses. Students painted a storm drain in front on Town Hall on Front Street on July 3. The next storm drains planned have been postponed because of pending storm drain repair/upgrades but will continue after work is completed.

Art in the Park was approved with dates in August, September, October, November and December.

Additional discussion centered around park usage. This could be valuable information when additional funding is requested. Ron volunteered to do spot surveys at Freedom Park, Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park, and Ann Yaupon Open Space Monday through Friday at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and on Saturday and Sundays at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. He will report back at the September meeting.

Items for Discussion and Consideration

1. Discuss & prioritize projects in the Comp Plan

Board Comments

There were no additional comments.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.