



**Lake Lure Parks & Recreation Board**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**June 2, 2022**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Mr. Jim Walters called to order the June 2, 2022 meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board at 1:48 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Board Members present:**

Chairman Mr. Jim Walters  
Mr. Dan Bragdon

Mr. Robin Worcester  
Mr. Bill Massey

**Board Members absent:**

Mr. Ed Dittmer, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Larry Czajkoski

Mrs. Maureen Bay  
Mr. Ed Dittmer, Vice Chairman

Mr. Mark Hoek, Alternate

**Town Council and Officials present:**

Commissioner Patrick Bryant  
Town Manager Hank Perkins

Commissioner Scott Doster

**Other Town Staff and Contributors Present:**

Ms. Dana Bradley – Town of Lake Lure Parks, Recreation and Trails Coordinator  
Mrs. Corbie Bradley, new Board Clerk

**Agenda and Meeting Minutes**

The Agenda for the June 2, 2022 meeting was reviewed. Mr. Massey made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Worcester seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

The Minutes of the May 5, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Worcester made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Massey seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

**Parks & Recreation Board Members Presentation and Discussion**

**Parks, Recreation & Lake Report – Ms. Dana Bradley**

Ms. Bradley introduced Mrs. Corbie Bradley to the Board. Ms. Bradley reviewed the Monthly Report with the members. There were no questions.

#### Green Space – Ms. Bradley

Ms. Bradley spoke regarding the Green Space and how plans are moving along. She mentioned that Town Council had asked for a natural area so they've only mowed certain areas but asked for suggestions. Mr. Walters discussed that the Steering Committee that was previously formed, met and discussed that they were looking for things in town that would qualify to go before the T.D.A. for funding. He mentioned adding in the Green Space plans as part of a package. This plan would be presented to Council then go to the T.D.A., as well as the plans for Morse Park. Ms. Bradley agreed with this plan and there was further conversation. Mr. Massey questioned the mowing of the Green Space and mentioned that it looked un-kept. He stated that this is one of the best images of this town and it needed to look better. He stated that he understood the "open space" look but it didn't look cared for. Mr. Bragdon suggested mowing areas with high visibility, such as holes 1-6 and the hillsides. There was a suggestion of wildflowers being spread out. There was mention of tree planting periodically throughout. There was some further discussion and Ms. Bradley was happy to get the feedback.

#### Dittmer-Watts Nature Trail Park – Mr. Walters

Mr. Walters mentioned that the park is really looking great. Ms. Bradley mentioned that there had been a workday and several downed trees had been removed. She also mentioned that hikers have created paths from the Dittmer-Watts Trails to the new Green Space.

#### Buffalo Creek Park, Weedpatch Mountain & the Trail to Eagle Rock

Ms. Bradley had spoke with Mr. Mike Reardon of CCC, and his group is doing trail maintenance on the Buffalo Creek Park Trail as well as the new mile trail they're constructing. Ms. Bradley stated that the new sign for the Buffalo Creek Park parking lot will be going up this week or next. There was discussion of the ribbon cutting that she will be planning with Rutherford County. Mr. Bragdon brought up his concern regarding the CCC placing bolts in the boulders for the rock climbers. He mentioned the liability to the Town, being that it was on Town property, even though CCC had installed them. There was further discussion and it was decided that Ms. Bradley will get with the Town's attorney to create a Hold Harmless Agreement with CCC. There was a brief discussion to follow. Ms. Bradley also mentioned that the picnic tables are now out at the parking area for folks to enjoy.

#### Lake Lure Flowering Bridge – Mrs. Massey

Mr. Massey reviewed the last couple of weeks where there were several media folks out covering the Bridge for things to do this summer. He reviewed the new Fairy Gardens and mentioned that they'll be having an event where you can view the Fairy Gardens and have one of the bridge volunteers help you create one to take home. Mr. Massey stated the counters had been passed by 17770 times during May.

#### Morse Park – Mr. Jim Walters

Mr. Walters was thrilled with the way the park is looking and mentioned that the parking lot plans are in the future. He told Ms. Bradley that he was happy with the look of the amphitheater.

#### Programs and Initiatives – Mr. Dan Bragdon

Mr. Bragdon suggested Ms. Bradley have a ribbon cutting for the Green Space. There was discussion of getting with the Chamber and having a Chamber Cheers. There was further favorable discussion. Ms. Bradley will work with Mrs. Laura Krejci on these plans.

#### Input from Town Council Liaison – Commissioner Bryant

Commissioner Bryant discussed several meetings and mentioned the stream restoration at the Green Space. There is no charge to the Town. Trained individuals will come in and restore the stream up to

50' on either side, planting new foliage and creating a healthy stream where runoff would flow into the lake. The caveat is that it cannot be touched or maintained by the Town afterwards. There was further discussion and the Board was very excited about the chance to have the stream cleaned up and repaired at no cost, and it would create a feature for the Green Space. Commissioner Bryant discussed budget workshops and he was positive with the way things are going with the Town's future.

**Other Comments:**

Mr. Walters thanked Ms. Canant for her many years of service serving as the clerk for their Board. She mentioned that it was her pleasure and she enjoyed watching the great care they took with the Town and wished them well in the future.

**Adjournment**

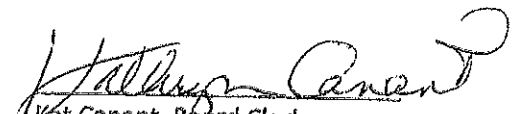
Mr. Bragdon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:47 p.m. Mr. Massey seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

Minutes were transcribed by Kat Canant

The next regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting will be July 7, 2022 at 1:30 pm. It is currently scheduled to be held at the Green Space Office.

ATTEST:

  
Jim Walters, Chairman

  
Kat Canant, Board Clerk