

City of Charlotte
Park Board Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Doug Hull, Dave Skidmore, Chris Burt, Brian Lautzenheiser, Amy Schoonover

Guests: Dave Frost

Absent: Karen Holtz

Minutes of the April 1, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved.

III Old Business

- A. The Mater Plans for Lincoln, Bennett and Combs Parks will be forwarded to City Council for their approval. Since some of the budget considerations come from the plan, approval will be sought at their meeting on May 12. Pending any receipt of minutes from the LDFA regarding Combs Park, we will ask for approval with the understanding that we will seek LDFA approval before any work is done in Combs Park.
- B. The Tree Board's tree labor increase memo will be sent to City Council for consideration at their budget hearing on May 12th. Tree trimming is ongoing, and stumps have been ground where trees were removed. Four new trees were planted.
- C. Dave Frost was in attendance to give the group an update. The trail head sign location was approved, and it will be located across from the Ranger Station in Bennett Park. The mountain bikers do not have any events planned at this time.
- D. The Hockey Rink group met on April 9th where costs and funding were discussed. Research was done into the cost of the future piping to see if it was worth including. Councilor Kevin Weissenborn has scheduled another hockey rink committee meeting for May 14th at 5:30 in the Community Room to discuss the findings. It looks like it will be a roller hockey rink for the near future.
- E. The City has received approximately \$3,200 to date for the construction of the back nine disc golf holes. Amy will verify with the MDEQ exactly what can and can't be done out there as far as earth balancing. Four crabapple trees were planted at the house on Lincoln Street that was getting hit by stray discs. We also moved the basket away from the house.
- F. Miracle Recreation is putting the final touch on the design for the Boundless Playground. They need some ramp designs from the City to finalize things. The City will look into hiring a consultant to do the survey and design.
- G. The City's budget workshop is May 5th with the first hearing on the 12th. The Manager is supporting leaving in the Park Ranger Program.

IV New Business

- A. The Charlotte Rotary Club would like to build a restroom at Lincoln Park instead of pursuing the Camp Frances project. A representative will attend a future meeting to discuss. The Dean Park restroom/ pavilion site has been seeded. The paving should be done this week or next.
- B. Representatives from the Recreation Council were scheduled to discuss their disc golf league at Lincoln Park. They never showed up.
- C. The City Manger would like the Park Board to come up with a capital outlay plan for the parks. This will aid the council in future decisions in the budget process. Park Board members should be thinking about this as they are out and about this summer. The Board will start work on it in the fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.