

## Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes

September 21, 2022

Attendees: Tracy Burnett, James Fogleman, Ann Alston, Kent Barlow, Joy Hewett, Anne Geer, Tammy Phillips, Andrew George, Will Sparrow, Keith Shea, Tracy Teague, J. Stamey, Commissioner Franklin Gomez Flores

Tracy Burnett opened the meeting in absence of James Fogleman

### **Minutes**

- Minutes-motion made by Kent Barlow and Anne Geer second

### **Comprehensive Conservation Implementation Plan**

Brandon Dawson presented the plan to the group via screen

#### **Summary of presentation**

This is a two-year project

The plan addresses the needs that were identified

The plan will be in two phases

- Metrics and viewer
- Implementation Plan

### **EDA Grant**

- Five firms completed the RFQ (Request for Qualifications)
- Follow up is needed with one firm
- Time frame for EDA grant is two years

### **Parker Ridge Phase 1**

- Close to VinFast new plant that is coming to Moncure
- Matrix evaluations taking place to select firm for this job
- There is coal ash money and ARP money to assist with this project
- Phase one is estimated over three million dollars

- Some items phase 1 will include: multi-purpose fields, dog park, restroom, playground, pier at pond, maintenance building

### **Recreation Advisory Committee**

- Motion to accept goals, objectives, barrier and challenges
- Motion-Joy Hewett
- Second- Kent Barlow
- Unanimously approved by group

### **Challenges**

Discussion of the barriers/challenges by the group. Below are the challenges that the group agreed to.

- The pressure of growth.
- Lack of adequate funding for land acquisition, farmland preservation, and conservation
- Lack of measurable metrics for conservation of natural resources

### **Additional information**

Commissioner Franklin Gomez Flores suggested that the committee identify partnerships in different areas in Chatham County for collaboration.

### **Advisory Committee Retreat**

Tracy reminded everyone of the date and time of the retreat on October 1, 9am-12pm. She will be meeting with the facilitator this week to go over the topics that the committee had discussed.

### **Staffing Update**

Tracy announced that we have hired a Community Center Supervisor and we will advertise for a Trail/Open Space position by the first of the year.

### **Chair and Vice Chair Vote**

The committee voted on Chair and Vice Chair. James Fogleman was voted Chair and Kent Barlow was voted Vice Chair.

### **Other topics**

Meeting Adjourned