



Oconee County Parks & Recreation

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Citizens Advisory Committee on Recreation Affairs Meeting Minutes – March 15, 2022

Members Present: Richard Ashmore, Jason Hewell, Leslie Hunsinger, Amanda McCoy Ledford, Dan Moore, Giles Moree, Wesley Scott, Kimberly Thomas

Members Absent: Melissa Hopkinson

Staff: Lisa D. Davol

Guests: Mike Luffler (Pickleball)

BOC: None

Press: None

Minutes:

1. Call to Order. The Recreation Committee convened the regular meeting at Oconee County Senior Center. Leslie Hunsinger called the meeting to order.
2. Approve the Agenda. Richard Ashmore made a motion to approve the agenda. Wesley Scott seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Approve November 16, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Wesley Scott made a motion to approve the minutes and Richard Ashmore seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
4. Tour Herman C. Michael Park – Walk and Talk – Due to inclement weather, committee met inside the HCM Brannen Building. Andy Dunston discussed general park responsibilities, as well as user groups and passive park users at HCM. Ledford inquired about the Volleyball program which is currently held at OVP but may be expanded to HCM. Thomas asked about the Joint Use Agreement with the schools and Davol provided an update. Ashmore stated that a comprehensive park master plan was needed. Ledford stated she would be attending the next Town Hall and could discuss park items at the meeting. Thomas suggested a 1% tax dedicated to Parks and Recreation.
5. Program and Park updates. Davol provided program updates on spring registration, over 1500 youth registered with soccer being over 1300 with a wait list. Adult softball has 19 teams registered. Total with user groups (OCLL, OYLA, Tennis/COTA) well over 3000 participants. Davol reminded the group of the upcoming inaugural youth Bike Rodeo to be held at OVP on April 25. Davol also provided park updates on projects, such as flooring installation, OVP gym



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lights conversion to LED, HVAC issues, irrigation pump repairs, OVP bridge expansion by Road Department, playground mulch, HCM gym ceiling leaks and BSC restroom issues.

6. Other Business.

- Davol requested agenda items for future meetings.
- Next Oconee Parks Foundation meeting scheduled for March 22 at 5 pm.
- Committee decided to meet at the LAS site for the next RAC meeting.

7. Public Comment. Mike Luffler (Pickleball) stated group does not use the HCM outdoor courts due to their condition. He added that the last 2 weeks there were over 40 playing inside the HCM basketball gym. In addition, Luffler suggested adding speck tennis. Hunsinger questioned if that would compete with the limited court availability.

8. Motion to adjourn made by Richard Ashmore. Seconded by Dan Moree. Motion approved unanimously.

Next RAC Meeting scheduled for May 17 at 5 pm at LAS Site – 1381 Rocky Branch Road, Bogart