



RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MAY 11, 2021

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2 PARK PLAZA
6:30 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**
- IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. Approval of Minutes from April 13, 2021**
- V. OLD BUSINESS**
- VI. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Paid Fitness Proposal**
 - b. MOU with the City of Milton**
- VII. REPORTS**
 - a. DIVISIONS**
 - Community Services - Amanda Musilli
 - Wills Park - Matt Casey
 - Recreation Services - Christine Young
 - Park Services - Eric Milley
 - Project Management - Kurt Kirby
 - Cultural Services - Kim Zane
 - b. DIRECTOR**
 - c. CITY COUNCIL**
- VIII. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**
- IX. Adjournment**



RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY APRIL 13, 2021

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL Members

- Dennis Mitchell (Chair)
- Shuntel Beach
- Scott Doll
- John Norton
- Cheryl Rand
- Arijit Saha
- Sandy Barth (Absent)
- Kevin Johnson (Absent)

Staff Present

- Morgan Rodgers, Director ARPS
- Matt Casey
- Kurt Kirby
- Eric Milley, Park Services
- Amanda Musilli, Community Services Manager,
- Christine Young, Recreation Services Manager
- Kim Zane, Cultural Services Manager
- Elle Taylor, Administrative Office Coordinator

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. March 9, 2021 Minutes

- ❖ Commissioner Rand offered a motion to approve
 - Commissioner Doll seconded the motion
 - The motion was approved (6-0)

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Consideration of a request to approve Alpharetta Ambush Soccer Club as a City of Alpharetta Recreation, Parks and Cultural Services Youth Athletic Association.**

Director Rodgers presented The Recreation Services division request for approval to allow Alpharetta Ambush Soccer Club, Inc. to become the newest Youth Athletic Association, housed out of Webb Bridge Park, North Park and Innovation Academy. Ambush will continue to utilize Bridgeway Christian Academy fields at their own cost.

Doug Yearwood, President of Ambush Soccer discussed the item.

There was discussion of:

- Transition from COA to Ambush
- Cost differentials will be a normal increase
- There will be little or no financial differential to the City.
- Innovation Academy Stadium will create a more significant presence with recreational soccer

Commissioner Doll read the proclamation:

Recreation Commission and Department's decision is as follows:

1. Upon Recreation Commission approval, Alpharetta Ambush Soccer Club will no longer be managed under the Recreation Services Division, but as a Youth Athletic Association through the Youth Athletic Association Agreement, in partnership with the City of Alpharetta.
2. The Youth Athletic Association Agreement is renewed annually for all Associations in good standing with the City of Alpharetta and those that continue to serve the citizens of Alpharetta with high quality programs.

- ❖ Commissioner Doll offered a motion to approve the request to make Alpharetta Ambush Soccer Club a Youth Athletic Association with the City of Alpharetta Recreation, Parks and Cultural Services Department.

- Commissioner Rand seconded the motion
- Motion was approved (6-0)

VII. PARTNER ASSOCIATION REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS

A. Divisions

1. Community Services – Amanda Musilli

- Event Strategy
- Wire & Wood Planning
- Agriculture
 - Rucker Park Input Plan
 - Grow Grow Program, Saturday, April 17, 2021
 - Great media recently
 - Chicken Coop is complete
 - o Considering names such as: Poultry Palace, Chick Chalet
 - Field trips & visits to the farm
 - Large Greenhouse will be there soon
 - Students in AG Business class will have a plant sale on April 26 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 - First Farm workday of the year is the same day

2. Wills Park – Matt Casey

- Equestrian Center Improvements
 - Covered Arena professionally laser graded
 - Skylights, beams and downspouts painting was touched up
 - New sound system brackets installed
- In order to improve user experience, bleachers moved to upper fields are having 4 shades installed with a cable system and larger support post as an anchor.
- Wall of Fame has been replaced with Walk of Fame
 - Removed faded wall and enhanced park with a low 2 board

decorative fence that displays the new signs along the walking trail

- Added concrete to strengthen the walkway through the park
- Over 200 tons of mulch were installed at the playgrounds
- Tee ball scoreboard is currently in the permitting phase. Installation should be complete soon. This will be the last scoreboard for Wills Park.
- There was discussion that the lights on the tennis court are not tennis lights. Staff will investigate options of LED lights or angling them down.

3. Recreation Services – Christine Young

- **Senior Center**
 - **Grand Reopening, June 1, 2021**
 - **Discussion of Improvements**
- **Preston Ridge**
 - **Open House May 22, 2021**
- **Community Center**
 - New Coordinator
 - Considering expansion of school year program
 - Reallocation of duties due to opening of Preston Ridge Center
- **Wills Park**
 - Disc Golf
- **Health & Wellness Initiatives**
- **Aquatics**
- **Summer Camps are full**
- **School Year Planning Retreat**
- **Sharks will be on a regular schedule**

4. Park Services – Eric Milley

- Name for Innovation Academy has not been decided yet
- **Rucker Farm**
 - One of the wells will be abandoned as it is unserviceable
- **Corner of Milton and Canton Park to be cleaned up**
- **Boardwalk section to be replaced at Old Wild Wing Café**
- **100 Volunteers will be at North Park on Saturday to clean up and spread mulch**

- Director Rodgers discussed possibility of allowing banners for inside of fences

5. Cultural Services – Kim Zane

- Art in Your Backyard on display in Cultural Arts Center through May 14, 2021
- Music Match Program
- Historical Marker Dedication at for Old Milton High School at Innovation Academy, April 17, 2021
- Cultural Arts Center Schedule of Events
 - Painting Around Town
 - Arts Studio a Go Go
 - Contemporary Music Festival
- New Sculpture in front
- Free Little Art Gallery with Lionheart Works
- Handed out Arts Center Summer Guides
- MOU with Historical Society

6. Project Management – Kurt Kirby

B. Director

Morgan Rodgers, ARPCS Director discussed:

- Chicken Coop was built from all recycled materials
- Sound System was funded by the Foundation
- 112 free fitness programs in April were paid for by Northside Hospital
- We are planning for precovid #'s in Summer programming
- There will be 100 volunteers at North Park on Saturday, April 17, 2021
- As of today, there are 51 artists participating in Paint the Town hosted in partnership with Arts Alpharetta and the ACVB May 18- 22, 2021
- Recuse Act Stimulus Package Money
 - Approximately \$3.5 million in priorities
 1. Replace Boardwalk at old Wild Wings on Greenway
 2. Replace existing wood poles on west side of Wills with LED lights
 3. Replace restroom at North Park & Wacky World Restroom at Wills Park

There was discussion from the Commission:

- City's take over Auditorium at Innovation Academy

C. City Council

IX. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

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