

## **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

The Zebulon Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM.

This meeting will begin at Zebulon Town Hall, 1003 N. Arendell Avenue.

The Advisory Board members in attendance were Brandon Wiggins, Quinton Taylor, Marcus Bennett, Wendy Watson, and Garrett Underhill

### **Meeting Agenda**

#### **1. Call to Order**

6:10 PM – Meeting called to order by Brandon Wiggins

#### **2. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to remove budget update presentation from the agenda: Wendi Watson

2nd: Marcus Bennett

All in favor

Motion to approve amended agenda: Marcus

2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendi

All in favor

#### **3. Presentation**

A: Site Tour

Nick Rummage and Amy Hayden will lead the Advisory Board on a tour of Harper Park and Knightdale Station Park in Knightdale, NC.

While transitioning to the tour, Marcus stated he would like to connect Nate McMillan, NBA coach, with staff and the advisory Board for a future meeting. Nick recommended Marcus contact Sheila to schedule a meeting. Suggested that if a summertime meeting would be needed for Nate, that the July scheduled meeting may work.

#### Harper Park

Nick gave an overview of the park as they walked through as a group. Highlighted points and discussion included:

- \$230,000 private investment built the playground.
- Poured in place play surfacing mixed with areas of mulch
- Accessible playgrounds and play surfaces.
- Design and use of pickleball courts
- Pointed out that park funding can be achieved with public and private funds.

- The park is 4.7 acres and is approximately the size Zebulon would look for to establish neighborhood parks.

#### Knightdale Station Park

Members explored the park individually and met back at the amphitheater to discuss.

Highlighted points and discussion included:

- The park is 66-71 acres and compared the size to Zebulon Community Park.
- Community Park is slightly smaller but the design and use is different.
  - There is an opportunity to expand what is developed and to redevelop the park in phases.
- There are a lot of open spaces.
- The parks infrastructure is designed to support community events.
  - Limited to no impact on major transit routes.
- There are multiple ways to enter and exit the park.
- The park supports general park users, programs athletic events, and special events.
- The park is surrounded by development including restaurants, offices, shopping and neighborhoods.

#### **4. Adjournment**

Motion: Wendi

2<sup>nd</sup>: Garrett

All in favor.

7:40 PM meeting adjourned.

