Minutes for Parks and Recreation Commission 4/20/21

In attendance: Mandi Bentley, Greg Cochran, Bob Hurring, Heather Layton, Jared Mull, and Wayne Rundell

- 1) Dan Hein: Welcome and call to order 6:03 p.m.
- 2) Approval of February minutes: Bob made a motion; Greg 2nd and all other members were in favor.
- 3) No public comment was given.
- 4) Old business: (Jared Mull)
 - a. Pickleball court update: Contractor from Palmetto Concrete came out and stained a sample patch of solvent-based sealer and said he is confident that he can put down a surface that will last. The test area that was applied is waiting on rain. If it works, we will go with that company. The contractor is about 1 month out on work. Some surface concrete prep will be needed, then acid etching, pressure washing, and the stain applied. We are hopeful that the project could be finished within a month and a half. Cost is within budget. The downside to this is that the surfacing will not be cushioned like the last surface was going to be but it will be usable and no different than any other tennis court. Once the project is complete, we will put up divider nets and be ready for play. We have had no word from the past contractor or attorney.
- 5) New business
 - a. Park update:
 - 1. Fitness course maintenance hydroseeded around course and poured two concrete pads, one near the trash and recycling and one close to the ditch. These will house benches.
 - 2. Drainage improvements The soccer field in front of recreation center has had drainage improvements completed and it has also been hydroseeded.
 - 3. Silvermont Friends of Silvermont is currently looking at trees in the park that need pruning and root injection treatments. Some are along the drive and some are within the park. There is a possibility that 2 or 3 trees may need to come down in the park.
 - 4. Rosman Community Park new benches in dugouts have been added and more dirt has been added to the fields.
 - b. Recreation update: (Mandi Bentley) Kids camp last day is May 21st. Spring into Fun program ends April 22nd. Wiffleball ends April 29th with a homerun derby. Start Smart Baseball ends April 21st with a game. Upcoming programs: Battle for the Belt play in tournament is Saturday, April 24th. The top 3 teams will be eligible to play in the summer league. Senior Games are set to begin April 26th and go through May 10th. Summer camp registration is open, and camps are filling up. We are going to be able to use Transylvania County schools for camp locations.
 - c. Director update: (Jared Mull)
 - i. Covid restrictions are being lessened We go by the governor's office for regulations on indoor and outdoor programs. Our gym can have up to 250 people and there are basically no restrictions on outdoor programs.
 - ii. Tori with Conserving Carolina will be presenting at next months meeting.
 - iii. Jaime will be presenting the first round of the budget to commissioners on Monday, April 26th.
- 6) Member comments: None
- 7) Adjournment: Greg made a motion; Bob 2nd and all members were in favor. 6:40 p.m.