

**Matthews Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resource Advisory Committee
Wednesday, April 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes
6:30pm, Matthews Community Center**

Committee Members Present: Howard Labiner, Ryan Maclatchie, Harvey Boyd, Sandi Lee, John Gatlin

Absent: Dawn Reid

Staff Members Present: Michelle Santucci, Corey King, Lee Anne Moore

Guests Present: Susan Chambers (Advisory Committee Candidate), Debbie Chopas (Advisory Committee Candidate), Scott Rossmel (Advisory Committee Candidate), Mayor Paul Bailey

- **Call to Order**
 - Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

- **Roll Call**
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- **Public Comment**
 - Mayor Bailey talks to the committee about the Town council's desire to meet with committee candidates so they know who they are; Reminds the Committee about procedures during the meeting.

- **Advisory Committee Vacant Member Information**
 - All three Advisory Committee Candidates are meeting with the town board in the upcoming weeks for the final interview to be appointed onto the Advisory Committee.

- **Division Reports**
 - Wall Poems – The Committee looked at 3 versions of the art work and “Soaker” poem. They made a motion for the third version featuring dogwood and daisy flowers, opinion that this version represents the Matthews area better than the first 2 versions with a more tropical feel.
 - Mural for the ballroom. Inspired by the 2017 Matthews Alive poster. Committee made notes on some changes that could possibly be made to make it better fit the idea and feel they are going for.

- **Director's Report**
 - Heritage Trail – Verbal approval was given to move forward to build the trail, Town has decided and to change the surface to asphalt trail instead of gravel. No start date yet, but hopefully it will be complete in a month after the start day. The Outen Pottery site will be a passive park for people to view the kiln and workshop to learn about the history of the site.
 - Rice Road Park (working name) – Playground equipment was installed during the week of March 4th. Once the name is finalized there will be an opening ceremony for the park. People are already seen using and enjoying the playground equipment. Phase 2 is not included in next year's budget at this time.

- **Old Business**

- Discussion: Park site on Rice Rd. naming. Corey has been researching Velma Boyd and has not found much information on her, but has found information on her husband Sam Boyd. Suggestion for Boyd Park as the park name with signage the contributions of the family.
- Corey talks to the committee about revising the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Committee mission and vision statements. It was noted that a few key areas of involvement of Parks and Recreation advisory committee are not in the current bi-laws. Public Art, Cultural recreation, Classes, programs and events, and Tourism. Next meeting a portion of the meeting will be coming up with ideas and changes.

- **New Business**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm