Smithfield Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting May 15, 2012

The Smithfield Recreation Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at Smithfield Recreation Aquatics Center.

Members Present: David Lasater Earl Marrett

Robbie Parker

Members Absent: Chris Howell Angela Rabil

Jamie StanleyDaniel SandersClayton NarronZack ParrishAndy MooreScott Wright

Staff Present: Tim Johnson, Director

Gary Johnson, Assistant Director

Jon Moore, Athletic Programs Supervisor Kristin Sasser, Recreation Center Supervisor

Dale Ham, SRAC Director

Lyn Andrews, Aquatic Center Supervisor Laura Crumpler, Recreation Supervisor

Staff Absent: Dennis Tyner, Maintenance Supervisor

SRAC Summer Special

The SRAC Summer Special (3-month membership for \$90.00) started last week.

Budget Process

Now that the new Town Manager is in place, the budget process is underway. Some items of discussion in this process include the two SRAC membership rate proposals we have discussed recently: Johnston County Schools Employee membership rate and Johnston Community College membership rate. These items are both Council decisions. The Pre-School Program (Jump Start Program) we have discussed is part of the budget process as well, and a Council decision.

Both SRAC and P&R revenues are up.

"Yes I Can" Help

Both SRAC & SPRD will be using some part-time help through "Yes I Can" this summer. Currently, two are working with P&R maintenance staff, and one or two will begin helping with SRAC soon. This is part of a Federal Grant Program.

Triathlon

The 3 Little Pigs Triathlon is June 16th, starting at 7:00 a.m. To date, we have almost 200 registered, which is up about 25% from this time last year. Mark your calendars ... we need YOU TO HELP!!!!

Friends of the Park Reverse Raffle & Auction

Mark your calendars – the Reverse Raffle and Auction is Thursday night, October 11th. Golden Corral has already agreed to be the meal sponsor once again. The first one last year was a great success, and we believe this one will be even better. Meetings to begin preparing for this year's event are underway.

Monthly Reports

Tim distributed the new Monthly Reports that we are now preparing each month. They do contain some useful information to get a snapshot of what is happening at SRAC and SPRD. In reviewing the reports from March and April, both SRAC & SPRD are under budget. Revenues are a little down on the SRAC side, but so are expenses.

Farmers Market

The 2nd Annual Smithfield Farmers Market opened last weekend. We currently have 8-9 vendors. They are open Friday and Saturday, from 9am – 1pm, so please go by and see them. Blueberries are coming on now, and other fruits and vegetables aren't far behind.

Recent & Upcoming Activities

Gary Johnson noted that Baseball season is well underway. This weekend we have another Tournament going on, the TSL Post-Season Tournament. The SJBA Invitational Tournament is June 20-25.

Kristin Sasser noted that SRAC Camps registrations are underway and are steady. Also have a painting class and pottery class going on.

Lyn Andrews noted that we just finished another Lifeguard Training class. Also have 18 daycare groups signed up for the summer, which will bring in approximately 700 kids a week. 41 children signed up for the summer swim team, and we anticipate more continuing to sign up until we actually start on June 4th. Last year the summer swim team had 60 members, and we anticipate the same this year.

Laura Crumpler noted that she took 20 Sr. Club members to Charleston, SC end of April, first of May. All had a great time. They are planning a fall trip now.

Jon Moore said Kinder T-Ball starts tonight (weather permitting), with 35 kids. Also noted that 10 summer camps are planned.

Dale Ham said we had 100 people here last night for the final night of WM basketball. He also said there is a Bench Press event for Relay for Life this Saturday, and a Wrestling Event fundraiser for a little boy with cancer on 6/23.

Reminder: RAC takes June, July and August off for the summer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Ashley