

Smithfield Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting January 15, 2013

The Smithfield Recreation Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. at Smithfield Recreation Aquatics Center.

Members Present:	Earl Marrett Scott Wright	Angela Rabil Richard Knight
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Members Absent:	Chris Howell Clayton Narron Lyn Andrews Daniel Sanders	Jamie Stanley Zack Parrish Andy Moore Robbie Parker
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Staff Present:	Tim Johnson, Director Dale Ham, SRAC Director Laura Crumpler, Aquatics Supervisor Kristin Sasser, Recreation Center Supervisor Tiffany Pearson, Recreation Supervisor
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Staff Absent:	Dennis Tyner, Maintenance Supervisor Gary Johnson, Assistant Director Jon Moore, Athletic Programs Supervisor
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Tim welcomed everyone to the meeting, and introduced our new RAC member, Richard Knight. Richard applied to the Board and was appointed by Town Council. He is a teacher at Neuse Charter School and enjoys soccer.

At this time, Tim passed out handouts of the December monthly reports for SRAC and SPRD. (The handouts are the same ones that go to the Town Manager and the Town Council.) Tim noted that SRAC day passes have doubled from last year's numbers at the same time, with annual contracts going down. As far as budget, we are pretty much on target. We anticipate more contracts coming on with January specials, and summer specials in May & June.

Recent Events:

Highlights in the past month include hosting the Johnston County Home Schoolers Swim Team, and East Wake HS swim team has been practicing here too, as the Garner pool they used had some issues. Other swim teams that practice here include West Johnston, South Johnston, and SSS. We are hopeful that we can pick East Wake up again next year.

The first Grinch Run in December was a huge success, with about 300 participants, and over 500 toys for Harbor House and DSS. (We are looking to increase programming in 2013, to include more events like the Grinch Run.) The Kiwanis Club donated \$500, and are looking to do more next year. In addition to the Kiwanis, WTSB and Smithfield Police Department were also sponsors. Someone suggested we check with Golden Corral about donating cookies for the Grinch Run next year. Earl Marrett said they serviced around 200 families at Christmas and the Grinch Run certainly helped with all those needs.

Upcoming Events:

Greater Neuse Conference Swim Meet is here this Saturday, January 19, with 8 teams. Swim Lessons begin again in February, March and April, as well as Stroke Clinics. Lifeguard Training Classes during Spring Break.

Boot Camp Obstacle Course is Saturday, 1/19, 9:00 am. Cost is \$10, and we're hoping this is the first of many events such as this. The instructor is a Spartan Instructor. We would love to eventually do a Mud Run.

Daddy Daughter Dance is February 16.

Farmers Market looks like it will be moving and should open mid-April.

Pottery Classes start next week for 6 weeks.

Kids in Nature and Doodlebugs are ongoing.

There is a Wheelchair Basketball Tournament January 26, with Special Olympics Basketball here on March 16.

In March, there will be another AAU tournament at SRAC, and Wrestling returns to SRAC in April.

All upcoming information can be found on Facebook – Smithfield/SRAC and at SRAConline.com.

Dale added that he has started posting open gym on line.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 19th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Ashley