



**Advisory Board Minutes
March 8, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.
Online MS Teams Meeting**

Call to order: Chris Branham

Invocation: Chris Branham

Members present: Chris Branham, Steven Corriher, Michael Jaycocks, Ali Hartman, Ben Love, Shannon Moore, and Caroline Moser.

Members absent: Greg Barnette, Drew Ridenhour, and Cammie Webb. Ex-officio James Blakely, and Mark Jones

Staff Present: Paul Moore, Whitney Fitzsimons, David Bone (County Manager), and Ed Vogler (County Attorney)

Announcements: Paul Moore

- Announced that Whitney is expecting with two and is due at the end of August.
- Announced that DCRP will be experiencing part-time staff transitions now through August. Renee is currently out with knee surgery. Mercedes will be out in May completing full time internship as part of her undergraduate studies. Aiden is expected to leave in August as he enters freshman year at App State. Part-time temporary Recreation Specialist position is open. Goal will be to select two temporary hires with the possibility of developing those candidates to permanent part-timers.

Consent Agenda: Caroline Moser made the motion to accept the consent agenda including minutes and staff reports, and 2nd by Chris Branham. Vote 7-0 motion carries.

Old Business:

- 1) Virtual vs in-person meetings: Mr. Moore noted that current updates to Gov. Cooper's executive orders would allow the advisory board to meeting in-person and be socially distanced. Floor was opened for recommendations.
 - a. Chris Branham mentioned that he would be ok with in-person and asked to consider changing time to 6pm.
 - b. Ali Hartman mentioned that her work on Monday's often involve travel to SC and requested a potential hybrid meeting.
 - c. Shannon Moore echoed Ali's hybrid possibility.
 - d. Carolina Moser said she is fine with either and prefer 5p
 - e. Chris Branham also said we was fine with 5p.
 - f. Ed Vogler spoke to potential public meeting statutory changes that would allow for hybrid meetings and asked David Bone if the County was considering those changes.

- g. David Bone said that the County has not recently revisited this and would revisit with Commissioners.
 - h. Paul Moore noted that he would email the advisory board later in March to determine if a hybrid meeting can be possible.
- 2) Park project update: Mr. Moore noted park mural installation to begin this week with Davis Sign. Latham's has removed fencing at the south stadium entrance and along the northern hillside. New double swing gates to be installed to replace south stadium entrance for better security.
 - 3) Budget update: Mr. Moore noted DCRP team is working through revenues and expenditures to complete entry by March 16. Personnel requests were made and CIP requests submitted. Fee schedules will have some additions.

New Business:

- 1) Grants subcommittee development - Mr. Moore open the floor for three volunteers to serve on the committee: Carolina Moser, Chris Branham and Steve Corriher volunteered.
 - a. Paul Moore noted that a doodle poll will be sent to see what date/time would be available for the committee meeting.
- 2) DCRP Alcohol Policy: Mr. Moore and Whitney Fitzsimons presented proposed departmental alcohol policy including current special event permit application with proposed changes and proposed code of ordinance changes.

Discussion:

 - a. Chris Branham asked if the policy or ordinance allows for the department to make decisions on issuing special event permits with alcohol request or if the decision has to run up chain of command.
 - i. Paul Moore noted that if all policy requirements are met then yes the department does have the discretion to issue permit for department events and rentals.
 - b. Shannon Moore asked if law enforcement officers paid by renter and not encumbered by the County?
 - i. Whitney Fitzsimons noted that law enforcement is paid directly by the third party renter. It is up to law enforcement to determine number of officers required and direct cost amount to be paid at the rental event. County will not encumber these costs.
 - c. Chris Branham asked if we already had designated areas in the park picked out where alcohol can be located for events and rentals?
 - i. Whitney Fitzsimons noted that there are designated areas that are allowed but unsure if the stadium is included and deferred to Paul Moore.
 - ii. Paul Moore noted that the stadium, while separate from the park, it still part of County park premises and is included as a potential area that can allow alcohol. Applications are vetted on a case by case basis.
 - d. Michael Jaycocks made a motion to recommend approval of the DCRP Alcohol Policy and DCRP Code of Ordinances as officially written and attached in the advisory board agenda packet. Caroline Moser seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.
 - e. Steven Corriher was present earlier in the meeting had to exit for another meeting before the vote. An email to the advisory was sent by Mr. Corriher on March 9, 2021. Email read as follows and quote:

[Good Morning Everyone, Sorry for my abrupt exit last night from our meeting. I had a second meeting at 6PM here with the Town. I had spoken with Paul Moore earlier in the week about a few questions I did have about the

Alcohol Policy written for our review. He answered those questions in a very satisfying manner as far as I was concerned, while apologizing to him about leaving out before the vote last night. He suggested I at least email the group to tell my feelings and to say rather I supported the Policy or not. So I wanted to say YES I do support this policy I felt it to be well thought out and well written. Thanks to all the staff that put their time and effort into this. Thanks to All, Steve] End email quote.

Miscellaneous - None

Adjournment: Chris Branham made a motion to adjourn and 2nd by Shannon Moore. Vote 6-0 motion carries. MS Teams meeting concluded at 6:14 p.m.