



**Advisory Board Minutes
May 12 @ 6:00 p.m.
DC Community Park – Conference Room**

Call to Order/Invocation: Ali Hartman

Members present: Kaci Corriher, Charles Kurfees, Gaye Orsini, Rich Maconochie (Virtual), Justin Lanning (Virtual), John Orsillo (Virtual), Ali Hartman (Virtual), Ex-officio: Mark Jones (Virtual) and Brent Shoaf

Members absent: Caroline Moser, Jared Vaughters, and Casey Dyson.

Staff Present: Paul Moore and Emily Miller

Announcements:

- Moore brought up the upcoming concert, headliner being David Lee Murphy. Encouraged board to volunteer for the event and reach out to others to volunteer.

Consent Agenda: Charles Kurfees made a motion to approve the Concert Agenda and minutes from the previous March meeting. Seconded by Ali Hartman. Vote: 7-0 motion carried.

Old Business: Moore provided an update on the first upcoming concert of the 2025 summer concert season, highlighting David Lee Murphy as the headlining act. Moore encouraged board members to sign up as volunteers for the event and to help recruit additional volunteers from the community.

New Business:

- A) Alcohol Policy Amendment - Moore presented a proposed amendment to the current Alcohol Policy, specifically for amateur sporting events. The amendment would allow alcohol sales on-site during such events. He used a potential rodeo as an example, noting that the event is sponsored by an alcohol distributor and would require on-site sales in order to be hosted at the park.
- B) Grant-Funded Project Updates - Moore provided an update on recent grant-funded initiatives supported by the DCRP grant. Projects in Cooleemee, Cognition Davie, and RiverPark have been successfully completed, marking a significant achievement for the department. He encouraged board members to visit these locations to see the community improvements made possible by the funding.
- C) New Grant Applications - Moore reviewed the new grant applications for the 2025–2026 grant cycle. He explained which projects were approved and provided reasons for those that were not—primarily due to eligibility issues or unmet requirements. He noted that applicants have received clear communication on how to improve future submissions. Rich Maconochie made a motion to approve the grant recommendations, which was seconded by Kasey Corriher. Vote: 7–0, motion carried.
- D) Capital Improvement Projects Update - Moore presented an update on capital improvement projects. He highlighted that the 601 entrance has been repaved and the entire parking lot lines have been repainted—both upgrades contributing to a significant visual and functional improvement.
- E) Recent Park Banishments - Moore informed the board of two recent banishments issued at the park. One involved two minors engaged in a physical altercation, which resulted in injury and a false weapon claim. The other involved individuals performing burnouts in the parking lot during a truck meet.

Miscellaneous: Potential Concert Partnership - Moore informed the board of a potential partnership for future concert events. Zirus, a communications company, is interested in providing mobile towers to enhance Wi-Fi service during high-attendance events. As part of this initiative, they plan to host a vendor booth and offer free giveaways. The partnership could serve as a stepping stone toward securing corporate sponsorship for upcoming concert series. Board feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Rich Maconochie commented that this would be a great stepping stone for the department, while Gaye Orsini noted that improved connectivity could increase event attendance by allowing guests to stay connected rather than being in a "dead zone."

Adjournment: Gaye Orsini made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Charles Kurfees. Vote: 7-0. Adjourned at 6:51 p.m.