

Minutes
Park and Recreation Committee
March 10, 2009

Call to Order: Chairperson Bill Benbow called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Benbow, Lori Shore-Smith, Shirley McHone, Becky Moore Dodson, Wanda Benbow, Shirley Snow, Cyndi Bramblett, Bill Tuttle, Shirley Snow and Patsy Snyder. Absent were: Shirley Ring & Lonnie Ring. Also in attendance were Administrator Dan Corder and Council Representative Robin Beck.

Invocation: Chairperson Bill Benbow gave the invocation.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the January 13, 2009 meeting were approved. Motion was made by Bill Tuttle, seconded by Shirley McHone, approved unanimously.

Council Representative and Village Administrator Remarks: Administrator Dan Corder gave his update and informed the committee that the entire park is now covered by the wireless internet network. The “Splash Page” which is a liability release page should be up and running by the end of the week, which will complete the computer upgrade. Dan Corder also gave the committee an update on our budget and informed us that we have \$3,000.00 left in the budget towards the Easter Egg Hunt and Springfest. The spring newsletter will be out near the end of March, in time to include the Easter Egg Hunt and Springfest information. There will be new curbing added to the entrance of Village Hall soon. Tobaccoville will hit revenue numbers and will finish good within our Budget. Garbage proposals have been given to the Council for review to ensure that we are utilizing the least expensive service available.

Bulk Item Pickup will be on April 20, 2009. Dan Corder also informed the PARC that we are official committee members of the Village of Tobaccoville, therefore we are eligible to become a member of the Local Government Federal Credit Union (State Employees Credit Union) and handed out flyers to those interested. Dan will also check on the price of new PARC shirts and get some samples for sizing.

Council Representative Robin Beck informed everyone that the rates on rentals have increased as of Jan. 1, 2009. Residential rates on the Main Room and Conference Room of the Community Center have increased by \$10 and Non-Residential rates have increased \$5.00 which is the first increase the Village has ever made.

There were no Agenda additions or deletions.

Old Business: A PARC application has been given to Deneen Skyles.

New Business:

Events for 2009:

The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 4th at 11:00 a.m. in the park. Shirley Snow, Patsy Snyder will coordinate this event and prepare the candy and prizes for the event.

Shirley Snow will get 75 prizes and Pat Snyder will get 90 prizes for a total of 165 prizes. Shirley McHone will be in charge of the eggs. We have a total of 886 eggs to hide for hunting and will divide the hunt between children 4 yrs. old and under & 5 yrs. old and up. We expect around 175 children this year.

On March 25th at 1p.m. (after Bingo) the ladies will prepare the Easter Egg prizes and treat bags. The committee decided not to give out prizes at the Springfest this year but will give out bottled water. The Tobacco Farming Museum will be open at Springfest for tours.

Springfest 2009: Springfest 2009 will take place on Sunday, May 17th from 2-5 pm. The band Southern Justice will perform from 2-3 pm, Taylor Vaden will perform his Elvis Tribute from 3-4 pm and Mountain Road will perform from 4-5pm. We will keep Springfest simple for a picnic of fellowship and music for the community.

Anniversary Celebration 2009: The Anniversary Celebration for 2009 will take place on Saturday, September 12th from 11am-2pm. The Taylor Vaden Band will perform during this event. Captain Jim will perform a pirate/magic show and Betsy Snow will do face painting. Dan Corder informed us that the Village is eligible for a "Temporary Exempt Permit" for Vendors who are listed as having a permit with Forsyth County. Dan provided this list for review. Bill Benbow and Lori Shore-Smith will make inquiries to vendors to get some ideas on what to do for the Anniversary Celebration this year.

The Forsyth County Sheriff's Volunteer Citizens Patrol has already been booked. Lori Shore-Smith will work with Patsy Snyder on the Auto/Tractor Show.

Tree Lighting Ceremony: The Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on Monday, November 30th at 7 pm.

Recreational Wednesdays will start back up on March 25th. Patsy Snyder, Becky Moore Dodson and Billy Tuttle are in charge of the weekly Wednesday Bingo gatherings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. via motion by Cyndi Bramblett and seconded by Patsy Snyder, motion was unanimous.

Respectively submitted by: Lori Shore-Smith – Secretary