

Minutes of the Fairhope Recreation Board

February 17, 2016

The Fairhope Recreation Board met Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. in the Rec Center at 803 North Greeno Road.

Present were Tom Kuhl, Vann Saltz, Michelle Smith, Sherry Sullivan, Derek Thomas, Diana Brewer, Cathy Hudson and Charlie Langham. Absent Bob Keyser, Mary Gammer and Mike Ford. Sherry Sullivan took minutes at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Vann Saltz at 5:15 p.m. The minutes of the January 20, 2016 meeting minutes were considered and approved on a motion by Derek Thomas, seconded by Charlie Langham, none opposed.

Guests: Kim Smith of Fairhope Girls Softball and Colin Rust of Fairhope Tennis Association

Recreation Update: Tom Kuhl provided an update to the group, he stated that the minor baseball field is being improved due to funding from the Fairhope Youth Baseball League, should be completed soon. He added that the pool is closed while cleaning and maintenance improvements are taking place. The scoreboard on the high school field is being replaced, cost was split between City and FHS, will be complete tomorrow. Tom added that opening day for softball, baseball and the Sunset Rotary BBQ & Brew is set for March 12. He added that the Senior Bowl held in January was a success. Sherry Sullivan mentioned that she received a lot of positive feedback from the attendees.

Manley Road Soccer Complex Update: Sherry Sullivan provided an update to the group stating that there is a construction meeting today. Paving, Fencing and grass installation should be done by mid-March. Tennis bids open on Friday at 11 a.m. FHS tennis has begun practice, first match is February 23, Springhill College Tennis Coach John Dotson contacted Sherry regarding bringing ladies from SHC ladies and Loyola University to the Fairhope courts for a tournament, to be held on March 19, and both teams have girls from Fairhope. Sherry added that she will do publicity on this tournament. Vann Saltz stated that the group needs to thinking of a name for the complex, these names will be submitted to the City Council for recommendation.

Discussion of Five Year Plan: Vann Saltz reviewed the five year plan with the group, a few changes were made, and it will be updated and discussed at the next meeting.

Cathy Hudson informed the group that summer swim registration will begin April 23.

Michelle Smith inquired about hanging sponsor flags at the pool, also mentioned BBQ & Brew set for March 12.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.