



Fairhope Rec Board Meeting
Agenda – November 16, 2022
5:15 p.m. in the Meeting Room
Recreation Center – 803 North Greeno Road, Fairhope, AL

- Approval of Minutes for
 - October 19, 2022
- Recreation Update – Pat White
- New Business/Old Business – Lisa Atchley

Schedule of Future Meetings
Note: Regular meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at
5:15 p.m. in the
Meeting Room at the Recreation Center, 803 North Greeno Road,
Fairhope, AL

Next meeting: December 21, 2022

City of Fairhope Recreation Department Mission Statement: To offer the citizens of Fairhope the best and safest recreational facilities in all sports and leisure.

Minutes of the Fairhope Recreation Board

The Fairhope Recreation Board met on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 5:15 p.m. in the Rec Center at 803 North Greeno Road.

Present: Lisa Atchley, Pat White, Charlie Langham, Maurice Morrisette, Cathy Hudson, Haden Giddings, and Derek Thomas: Absent: Corey Martin, Jack Burrell, Scott Berry, and Dan Hoover.

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Atchley at 5:15 p.m. The minutes of the September 21, 2022, meeting minutes were considered and approved on a motion by Charlie Langham, seconded by Haden Giddings, none opposed.

Guest: Gary Gover and Mike Fillingim

Recreation Updates:

Pat White informed the Rec Board that start date on the bathroom at the new youth baseball fields is November 1st (standard block wall building with metal roof-will go up very quickly) and at this point all we are waiting on is the contractor to give us his final elevation for the pad. Once we get the final elevation, grade work will begin on the actual fields; As for the install of the LED lights on those new baseball fields, that has been approved and the contract is in the hands of the contractor. We are waiting on him to sign it and let us know when he will start, which could be any day now; At this point, everything is still set to be completed in February 2023; Pat informed the Rec Board that these new youth baseball fields are going to help the old youth fields tremendously. We are still receiving numerous complaints about the youth baseball conditions, and as Pat previously stated, the conditions are because of the fields being drastically overused. The new youth fields will help relieve some of those issues. The new fields will have artificial turf pitching mounds and batters boxes; With the addition to the 4 new fields, each league will have 2 fields for practices and/or games; In addition, these new fields will create more parking for all events; The new Founders bathroom building could possibly be changing locations because of the old bathroom housing all electrical wires for all of Founders Park, so there has been discussion about keeping the existing bathroom building and possibly making it storage and moving the new bathroom to the west of the current building; Tennis Fun Day at Mike Ford Tennis Center is set for October 22, 2022; Fairhope High School Football is having Senior Night at home versus Baker on October 21, 2022, then the playoffs will begin November 4th, 2022; Pat informed the Board that he attended the Triangle Steering Committee on October 18th and discussed the trails, walking and biking, along with educational stations, bathrooms, wildlife observation, along with doing a tunnel that would connect the 2 properties under Veteran's Drive that could possibly be used for the high school cross country team. More on the property will be decided on between the fall and spring sports.

Recreation New Business:

Cathy Hudson informed the Rec Board that the Battle of the Bay Swim Meet was held on October 18th here at the Recreation Center Indoor Pool that included 4 Mobile and 4 Baldwin County teams. Fairhope did extremely well consider they lost a lot of Seniors last year. As of now, there is about 2 more weeks of swim meets left for the season.

Pat informed the Rec Board that I-10 Futbol Club will be hosting a soccer tournament this weekend, October 22nd and 23rd at the Fairhope Soccer Complex; Fairhope Soccer Club/Academy will be hosting their annual Halloween Blast tournament on October 29th through October 30th at Fairhope Soccer Complex. This tournament will bring in over 100 teams from all different states.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.