

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON
CONTINUED PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2009 – 6:30 P.M.
MINUTES**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the Town of Weddington, North Carolina, met in a Continued Session in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 1924 Weddington Road, Weddington, NC 28104 on Thursday, March 5, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. with Scott Buzzard presiding.

Present: Scott Buzzard, Jeff Perryman, Debra Korb, Nancy Pulcini and Town Clerk/Administrator Amy S. McCollum

Absent: L.A. Smith, Sharon Sanders and Dorine Sharp

Visitors: Nancy Anderson

Item No. 1. Reopen the Meeting. Mr. Scott Buzzard opened the March 5, 2009 Continued Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Item No. 2. Determination of Quorum. There was a quorum. Mr. Buzzard advised that Interim Chairman L.A. Smith asked that he fill in during her absence tonight.

Item No. 3. Events.

A. Litter Sweep. Town Clerk/Administrator Amy McCollum gave the Board information regarding the upcoming Litter Sweep Event.

- The Board decided that May 2, 2009 beginning at 9:00 a.m. would be the best date to have the Litter Sweep Event.
- Staff will work on getting a list of subdivisions' contact information to send a press release regarding the event asking for citizens to participate.
- Supplies (gloves, bags, vests) can be picked up at NCDOT free of charge.
- Town will provide donuts and coffee at the start of the event.
- Ms. Nancy Pulcini will contact the Church, the Rotary Club, WCWAA, Boy Scouts, Garden Club and local businesses to see if they would like to participate.
- Decide which areas in the Town to concentrate on picking up trash.
- Ask Ms. Sharon Sanders to help contact individuals at the High School to help.
- Ms. Debra Korb will do a Press Release and Ms. Pulcini will do flyers.
- Ms. Pulcini will contact NCDOT to find out rules and regulations for the Litter Sweep.

B. July 4th. The Board felt that it would be difficult to plan an event for July 4th because most individuals have events that they already go to or spend that time with family, at the beach, etc. and it would be hard to compete with those events.

Mayor Nancy Anderson talked about the idea of having a pool party to be held at the Weddington Swim and Racquet Club.

C. Community Day – June. Mayor Anderson discussed Olympic Day which is a National Event that is being scheduled to be held throughout the country in June. Ideas discussed:

- Get the Weddington Activity Center and Southeastern Gymnastics to participate.
- Locate a Local Olympian to come to the event.

- Locations to hold the event were discussed such as the Weddington Swim and Racquet Club, the schools, Optimist Park, etc. Mr. Buzzard will contact the Weddington Swim and Racquet Club to see if they would be willing to host the event.
- Advertise the event through the schools. Send home flyers promoting the event.
- Plan Kids' Events and Activities.

D. DrumSTRONG. Mayor Anderson discussed this local event that is occurring on May 16 and 17 that is unique to Weddington. She felt that it was a good chance for the Town to participate in a good cause. The Board felt that they would like to plan a Weddington Event that is unique to Weddington and separate from any other activity that is going on. The Board discussed the possibility of having a Weddington Tent at the DrumSTRONG event.

E. Tree Lighting Event. The Board discussed ideas for the next Tree Lighting Event for the Town adding such items as the arrival of Santa Claus, singing, kids making decorations, cookies and coffee. It was mentioned that the Board needed to find ways to advertise the event.

F. Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010. The Board discussed proposed budget items for Fiscal year 2009-2010. Town Administrator McCollum advised that any landscaping items would not come out of the Parks and Recreation Budget. It was decided to request that the Town Council fund \$15,000 in the Parks and Recreation Budget again. The money would fund the following:

- Clean Up/Litter Sweep Day
- Community Day
- Christmas Tree Lighting Event
- Park Benches/Beautification Project for Town Hall

Ms. Korb advised that Union County has suspended grant money opportunities for municipalities due to the economic situation.

G. Temporary Use Permits. Mayor Anderson asked that the committee review the Town's regulations relative to Temporary Use Permits stating that only three events can be held once a year at one location.

Item No. 4. Continuation. Mr. Jeff Perryman moved to continue the meeting until March 23, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Korb seconded the motion, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES:	Pulcini, Korb, Buzzard and Perryman
NAYS:	None

The meeting ended at 7:50 p.m.

Scott Buzzard

Amy S. McCollum, Town Clerk