



**GREENSBORO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair Emily Linden, Susan Henshall, Scott Neely, Marsha Glazman, Anthony Izzard, Cheskesha Cunningham-Dockery

**STAFF PRESENT**

Nasha McCray, Kobe Riley, Charles Jackson, Shawna Tillery, Haley Wilson, Tony Royal, Michelle Gill-Moffatt, Cliff Greeson, Tyrin Hicks, Sarah Drummond, Zoey Huston, Shannon Teamer, Brooke Wilson, David Andrews, Charles Green

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Members of UNC-Greensboro's Dept. of Community & Therapeutic Recreation Graduate level class

**WELCOME**

The regular meeting of the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Commission was held virtually on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Commission Chair Emily Linden called the meeting to order at 5:08 pm.

Nasha McCray, Director, welcomed the Commission and attendees.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Approval of Minutes from the March Commission Meeting- Commissioner Neely made a motion to approve the March 2022 meeting minutes and Commissioner Cunningham-Dockery seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

**RECOGNITIONS**

A. New Hires and Promotions- Charles Jackson, Community Recreation Services Division Manager, recognized two promotions and three new hires within Community Recreation Services.

Tyrin Hicks was recognized for his promotion to the role of Warnersville Recreation Center Supervisor. Ty has a Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. He has been working with Greensboro Parks and Recreation as a Center Coordinator since 2019 at the Warnersville Recreation Center and has served as point of contact in the absence of a full time center supervisor.

Sarah Drummond was recognized for her promotion to the role of Lindley Recreation Center Supervisor. Sarah has an Associate's degree from Louisburg College and has been working with Greensboro Parks and Recreation for the past 5 years as the Afterschool Director and Head Summer Camp Counselor at Lindley Center.

Zoey Huston was recognized as a new hire in the role of Brown Recreation Center Supervisor. Zoey comes to us with a Bachelor's Degree in Community Recreation and Event Planning with a minor in Communications from Winston Salem where she was a Center Supervisor and previous to that she was a Facility Manager for the City of Statesville.

Shannon Teamer as a new hire in the role of Leonard Recreation Center Supervisor. Shannon has a Bachelor's Degree in Recreation and Park Management with a minor in Social Work and a Master's Degree in Agriculture Education. While working for Greensboro Parks and Recreation previously, Shannon was a Center Supervisor and later a Community Garden Coordinator. Shannon has worked with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension as an Extension Assistant and the City of Durham Parks and Recreation as a Recreation Coordinator.

Brooke Wilson as a new hire in the role of Lakes Activity Specialist and will serve as our full-time Environmental Educator and Outdoor Recreation Specialist programming at the City Lakes and throughout all facilities in our department. Brooke is a Certified Interpretive Guide and NC Certified Environmental Educator. She received her bachelor's degree in Zoology from North Carolina State University. Most recently Brooke served as the Nature Education Specialist at Rowan Wild in Rowan County where she developed, executed, and evaluated all educational interpretation programs including onsite programs, outreach programs, and summer camps. Brooke has also planned and programmed nature hikes, kayak, and stand-up paddle boarding programs, and presented education programming at The North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island. She brings a wealth of environmental knowledge to our department and will be instrumental in increasing our outdoor programming for all ages. Her office will be located at Townsend Marina.

Tony Royal, Park Operations Division Manager, recognized two promotions within Park Operations.

David Andrews on his promotion to the role of Barber Park Manager. David began his career 26 years ago with Greensboro's Parks and Recreation Department starting out in the Athletics and Playground Maintenance section. He also worked in the Right-of-Way Maintenance section before becoming the Trail and Greenway Maintenance Supervisor in 2005.

Charles Green III on his promotion to the role of Assistant Park Manager of Keeley Park. Charles has 20+ years of experience in the maintenance field and came to work for the City of Greensboro 5 years ago within the Park Operations Division. Charles has been assisting in the maintenance at Keeley Park since Spring/2021.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

- A. Summer Preview- Michelle Gill-Moffat, Youth Services Superintendent and Cliff Greeson, Regional Parks Operations Specialist presented a summer preview of programs and events scheduled for youth and families this summer season throughout the Parks & Recreation Department. This year, each recreation center summer day camp will feature a weekly theme with activities and trips planned in accordance with the theme. In addition to the department's traditional summer programs, day camps, and the ENERGY at the

Park playground program; there are several engaging programs, events, and activities to offer something for everyone this summer.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of the Department's Public Awareness Policy and Employee Information Policy- Kobe Riley, Deputy Director, requested the periodic review and approval of the Department's updated Public Awareness Policy. The Parks and Recreation Department provides the public with information regarding the department and its programs, events, services, and facilities in order to ensure that residents, staff, and any interested persons are able to find information quickly and efficiently regarding opportunities offered by the Parks and Recreation Department.

A motion to approve Department's Public Awareness Policy was made by Commissioner Marsha Glazman and seconded by Commissioner Sue Henshall. All voted in favor.

Kobe, Riley, Deputy Director, also requested the periodic review and approval of the Department's Information Technology Access Policy. The Parks and Recreation Department strives to ensure that all employees have access to information needed to fulfil their job duties and adhere to all technology policies and procedures in order to safeguard the security of the City's network, systems, and compliance with laws and regulations. All employees using computers and/or communication devices as a part of their job responsibilities are required to review and agree to the City IT policies and guidelines.

A motion to approve the Information Technology policy was made by Commissioner Sue Henshall. Seconded by Commissioner Anthony Izzard. All voted in favor.

B. Shawna Tillery, Planning and Project Development Division Manager provided a brief overview of the FY 2023-2032 Capital Improvement Program and an update of the unfunded and funded projects included in the adopted FY 2022-2031 CIP. A motion to approve the Department's FY 22-23 CIP was made by Commissioner Sue Henshall and seconded by Commissioner Marsha Glazman. All voted in favor. Since approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Department's CIP will be submitted to City's Budget and Evaluation Department for further review and to City Council for consideration and inclusion in the City's FY 2022-23 Annual Operating Budget.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Nasha McCray, Director, gave an update on upcoming programs and events. R.E.D Zone Football and Cheer registration began on April 1 for the 2022 fall season. It is open to youth ages 5-12 for cheer and 7-12 for football. Volunteer coaches are needed and can sign up on our website.

Parks and Recreation began accepting Mobile Food Truck and Trailer applications for regional parks on April 4. Greensboro Senior Games kicked off on April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Greensboro Sportsplex. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Haley and she will send you a list of events with dates and times to volunteer. New Glass Backboards are being installed at 5 recreation centers. All centers will now have glass backboards on their main goals. Grand re-opening of Heath Park was held Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Crescent Rotary for the playground donation and to the Commissioners who came out to support that day.

### **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

Neely: Thought it was a great meeting to have the UNCG class sit in on to learn about the inner workings of Parks and Recreation.

Henshall: Looks forward to getting together again in May and good luck to the Department going into their Accreditation visit next week.

Linden: Great to see all the summer activities planned from the department and wants staff to know that she is always ready and willing to be an advocate for Parks and Recreation.

Izzard: Appreciated the Heath Park Grand Re-opening and the work that has been done out there.

Glazman: Loved hearing about all the summer programming coming up.

Cunningham-Dockery: Excited for all the great summer programs especially since the pandemic has impacted them the last two years. Thanked those who came out to the Heath Park Grand re-opening in her district.

With no further business, Commission Chair Linden adjourned the meeting at 6:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Haley Wilson, Executive Assistant  
Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department