

Meeting Minutes for April 1, 2019

- Diane Fenton called the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- In Attendance: Reba Smart, Harry Collins, John Neel, Brad Epperley, Charlton McCoy, Mike Saylor, Kendall Lewis, Diane Fenton, Jim Williamson
- Minutes from March were approved.
- No citizen comments
- Directors Report: Casey Jenkins has been working on our Severe Weather Policy. That policy is close to being completed. Farmers Market vendor applications are due today.
 - Senior & Special Populations: We have 35 participants in our Senior Motions class. The TRAIID Salt meeting at English Meadows had 80 participants. We had the St. Patrick's Day Bingo that had 25 participants.
 - Community Programs: We started the Junior Lego League here a few years ago, we have four participants in that class. They have gone and competed in different competitions. On March 14-15 we had Christiansburg Elementary School third graders here for a field trip. The basketball courts were setup with different activities. Two of our more popular programs this past month were Toning & Conditioning with 18 participants and Core Balance with 18 participants. Our Dog Obedience classes are doing very well. We held a Virginia Firearms Training that had 17 participants.
 - Athletic Special Events & Outdoor Facilities: We are working on planning activities for Jill's Buddy Camp. We have confirmation on the Superbowl, 5J Farm, Music Milestone and fishing. We are still waiting to hear back from a couple different groups. Middle School Baseball and Softball are currently playing at Harkrader Sports Complex and Kiwanis Big Field. We are still planning to do our Opening Day Festival at Harkrader.
 - Youth Athletics: We have 272 participants that are registered for baseball and softball this year, which is an increase from last year. We will have teams in Tee Ball, Boys & Girls Coaches Pitch, Dixie AAA, Dixie Ozone, Babe Ruth 10u Softball and Babe Ruth 12U Softball. Teams have been selected and they have begun practices.
 - Adult Athletic: Fast Break Basketball playoffs have ended. NRV Elite won the championship. We did have new programs this year, Church League & High School League Basketball. We are currently in the process of starting spring volleyball.
- Old Business: Friday evening we had the bench dedication for Ashlyn Poole. We have someone to run the concession stand at Harkrader now, Steve's Sooner Sales. This weekend was his first weekend and everything went well. They will open up during the week once games start at Harkrader. We have received one person interested in the open spot for the Recreation Commission Advisory Board.
- Student Report: We put the new bench in for Ashlyn Poole.
- New Business: We have received one interest in the open spot for the Recreation Commission Advisory Board. Harry Collin's makes the motion to vote Kathy Meadows on the commission, Mike Saylor's seconds that motion.
 - Diane Fenton Yes
 - Reba Smart Yes
 - John Neel Yes
 - Kendall Lewis Yes
 - Jim Williamson Yes

Brad will set up a time to take this recommendation to Town Council. This fills all the spots for the Recreation Commission Advisory Board. John Neel complimented the recreation center for bringing the different programs to this area.

- Meeting adjourned, next meeting Monday, May 6.