

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2023

The Leesburg Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission met on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Ida Lee Recreation Center located at 60 Ida Lee Drive, Leesburg, Virginia.

The meeting of Leesburg Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Commission Members Present:

Brody McCray, Chair
Laurie Burke, Vice-Chair
Natalie Carroll
James Corkrey
Anthony Cimino-Johnson
Kirsten Shabanowitz
Ginger Sturgeon

Absent:

Also present: Rich Williams, Director of Parks and Recreation

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting on January 16, 2023 were approved as amended 7-0.

Loudoun County Park Board Liaison

Citizen Comments:

New Business:

- Banner Program- The Commission endorsed the following recommendation 7-0 relating to a Veterans Banner Program at Freedom Park. “The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission endorses a partnership with the Town and VFW for the placement of pole banners at Freedom Park to honor local veterans.”
- Networking Event – The Commission was briefed on the upcoming Boards and Commissions networking event to be held March 30th at Ida Lee.
- Department Information - The Commission was informed of various department information including staffing vacancies, revenue, and FY24 budget progress.

Old Business:

- CIP Project Update - An update of the Veteran’s Park and Izaak Walton Park pond restoration projects was provided to the Commission.
- Park Plaques - The Commission provided status updates on the information that has been gathered to date for the plaque project.
- Outdoor Performance Venue - The Commission was briefed on Council’s desire for them to evaluate and identify a possible location for an outdoor performance stage in other areas of Town besides Ida Lee Park. There was initial discussion regarding potential locations with more detailed analysis to take place during the March Commission meeting.

Future Business:

Director’s Report:

- a. Financial Report
- b. Park Projects Report
- c. Scholarship Report
- d. ROCK Report
- e. Quarterly Attendance Report

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.