

**Orange County
Parks and Recreation Council**

Meeting Summary

Date: August 7, 2019

Place: Environment and Agriculture Center

PRESENT: Tori Williams Reid; Haywood Rhodes; John Greeson; Gina Reyman; Michael Zelek; Robert Smith

ABSENT: Tim Tippen; Tim Braddy; Rachel Cotter; Robert Robinson; Jennifer Moore

STAFF: Lynn Hecht;

I. Call to Order:

II. Additions or Changes to Agenda, Meeting Summary: June 5 notes were reviewed with no comment

III. Report of the Chair:

a. Rhodes had asked Stancil about the Greene Tract by Rogers Road. He'll pass on the article he read to the rest of the board.

IV. New Business

a. Membership/Vacancies: Chapel Hill Township has an opening. The group looked over two applications from Chapel Hill Township: John Singletary and Cecily Kritz. Greeson moved to nominate Kritz for the position; Reyman 2nd the motion. All voted in favor. Next month, Tori Williams Reid's second full term expires. There is one applicant for the Hillsborough Township position, so the board decided to wait until next month in case more applied.

b. Proposed Multi-modal Trail Letter. Hecht shared where the other municipalities were with this prospect. Rhodes will ask Tippen if he'll create a letter from his bullet points. All would see the draft before it's sent out. Greeson asked that the board not necessarily say that they support a feasibility study, instead, that they support the idea. Discussion arose about the coal train/track and if UNC stopped using coal, maybe the train track could be part of the trail.

c. Hecht spoke of a new initiative from a group trying to create a program to get all 2nd graders into swim lessons. The board wanted to wait until next meeting to talk more about it after Hecht attends an upcoming meeting.

V. Old Business

a. None

VI. Report of the Director

a. None.

VII. Council and Committee Reports

- a. Intergovernmental Parks Work Group, no recent meeting.
- b. Items from the Council—none.

- c. Friends of Orange County Parks and Recreation (FOPR). Reyman asked the group if they should get some lawyer or law group involved to help get this group going. Reyman said she'll get with Robinson to see how she can help.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next meeting will be September 4, 2019, 6:30pm at the EAC Conference Room, 306 Revere Road, Hillsborough.