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ORDINANCE CREATING
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AMENDED JUNE 19, 2013

SECTION: CREATION; NAME; NUMBER OF MEMBERS

There is hereby created a Recreation Committee composed of eleven (11) citizens of the unit, to be known as the Recreation Committee.

SECTION: COMMITTEE; POWERS AND DUTIES

The Recreation Committee shall serve as the advisory body for the County of Hyde. The Committee shall suggest policies to the Manager and the governing body, within its powers and responsibilities as stated in this ordinance. The Committee shall serve as a liaison between the Manager and the Governing Body of the unit and citizens of the county. The Committee shall consult with and advise the Manager and the Governing Body in matters affecting recreation policies, program, personnel, finances, and the acquisition and disposal of lands and properties related to the total county recreation program, and to its long-range, projected program for recreation.

The Recreation Committee shall assume duties for recreation purposes, as follows: Make recommendations; (1) for the establishment of a system of supervised recreation for the unit; (2) to set apart for use as parks, playgrounds, recreation centers, water areas, or other recreation areas and structures, any unit's authorized body, and may suggest improvements of such lands and for the construction and for the equipping and staffing of such buildings and structures as may be necessary to the recreation program within those funds allocated to the Department; (3) and advise in the acquisition of lands and structures through gifts, purchase, lease or loan, or by condemnation by the unit as provided by Chapter 40A, eminent domain, of the general statutes of North Carolina and as approved by the Governing Body of the Unit; (4) and advise in the acceptance by the unit of any grant, gift, bequest or donation, any personal or real property offered or made available for recreation purposes and which is judged to be of present or possible future use for recreation. Any gift, bequest of money or other property, any grant, devise of real or personal property so acquired shall be held, by the unit, used and finally disposed of in accordance with the terms under which such grant, gift or devise is made and accepted; (5) and advise in the construction, equipping, operation, and maintenance of parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and all buildings and structures necessary or useful to recreational function, and will advise in regard to other recreation facilities which are owned or controlled by the unit or leased or loaned, to the unit.

SECTION: APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMITTEE

Each member of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governing Body of the unit.

SECTION: COMPOSITION

A member of the Governing Body of the unit may be designated as a non-voting ex-officio member of the Committee.

SECTION: LENGTH OF APPOINTMENT

Each member shall be appointed for a three-year term; however, initial appointments shall be arranged thusly: five members shall be appointed for a two-year term and five members shall be appointed for a three-year term. The governing body member shall serve on the Recreation Committee concurrent with his term of office on the Governing Body.

SECTION: MEETINGS

Committee meetings shall be held on a quarterly basis unless when determined otherwise by the Committee. The Chairman of the Committee or, in his absence, the Vice- Chairman, may call a special meeting of the Committee at any time by giving each member 24- hour notice. Special meetings will be scheduled upon request by four or more Committee members. A quorum of the Committee shall be in attendance before action of an official nature can be taken. A quorum is at least 1 more than the number absent, of the appointed members.

SECTION: ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS

An appointed member who misses more than three (3) consecutive regular meetings loses his status as a member of the Committee until reappointed or replaced by the governing body of the unit. Absences due to sickness, death, or other emergencies of like nature shall be regarded as approved absences and shall not affect the member's status on the Committee except that in the event of a long illness, or other such cause for prolonged absence, the member may be replaced.

SECTION: COMPENSATION

Committee members shall serve without monetary compensation. Members shall be reimbursed for travel and subsistency to professional recreation meetings, conferences and workshops, with such reimbursement being made in compliance with the general policies of the unit.

SECTION: OFFICERS

There shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary, who will be a non-voting staff liaison. An annual election of the officers shall be held by the Committee members and shall occur at the last regular meeting of each calendar year. Officers shall serve for one year from election with eligibility for re- election. New officers shall take office at the subsequent first meeting of the new calendar year. In the event an officer's appointment to the Committee is terminated, a replacement to this office shall be elected by the Committee, from its membership, at the meeting following the termination.

SECTION: OFFICER'S DUTIES

The Committee Chairman shall preside at all meetings and sign all documents relative to action taken by the Committee. The Chairman shall appoint all subcommittees including a nominating committee composed of two Committee members. A nominating committee shall be appointed at least thirty days prior to the last meeting of the calendar year.

When the Chairman is absent the Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman. When both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are absent a temporary Chairman shall be selected by those members who are present.

The Secretary shall mail to all members copies of official reports and the official minutes of all regular and special meetings, prior to the next scheduled meeting.

SECTION: COMMITTEES

The Committee Chairman is authorized to appoint such committees as, in the opinion of the Committee are needed. Standing Committee suggestions are (1) program and activities; (2) areas and structures; (3) budget; (4) personnel; (5) policies and procedures. Temporary and project committees shall be appointed as needed.

SECTION: BY-LAWS

Operational policies and procedures may be incorporated into a set of By-Laws as developed and approved by the Committee in line with this ordinance and the policies of the unit.

Motion to adopt the amended Ordinance Creating a Recreation Advisory Committee was made by Dick Tunnell, seconded by John Fletcher and adopted on a vote of 4 to 0 this, the 15th day of July, 2013.

COUNTY OF HYDE

(SEAL)

Barry Swindell
BARRY SWINDELL, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

Lisa Stotenberg
CLERK TO THE BOARD

