



Lumpkin County, Georgia
Parks and Recreation Department
Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2025

1. Call to Order
 - a. Citizens Advisory Board Chair, Hank Haynes, called the meeting to order at 12:06pm on June 11, 2025.
 - b. Hank Haynes, Autumn Chatham and Shawn Boyd were present.
 - c. Tim Towe, Ahmad Kamara, Haley Sparks, Scarlet Shumate, and Jared Ray were also in attendance as county staff.
2. Invocation
 - a. Hank Haynes gave the invocation.
3. Recognize Citizens or Guests
 - a. Two interns with the county, Nick and Brooke.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. A motion was made to approve the previous minutes by Shawn Boyd, seconded by Hank Haynes.
 - i. Passed unanimously
5. Old/Ongoing Business
 - a. Football
 - i. There are 8 new athletes for the 6th grade team that will need to be evaluated.
 - b. Field Renovation
 - i. Commissioners are voting at the next meeting for field turf designs.
 - c. MAC Tournament
 - i. Everything went very well with hosting the MAC Tournament.
 - d. Fall Sports
 - i. Flag drafts went well; 3 elementary and 2 middle school teams.
 - ii. Hank Haynes suggested consulting radar ridge for flag football practice.
 1. Led into continued discussion of logistics for all sports to practice dependent on status of field renovations.
6. New Business
 - a. Scholarship Evaluation

- i. The board members provided a form from Lumpkin County Family Connection that is used federally.
- ii. Discussed simplifying procedure; if parent or household is at poverty level, they receive 100% scholarship. If they are not at poverty level, can be evaluated for 50% scholarship.
- iii. Additionally, there will be a hardship clause for parents who have lost their job, house fire or other tragedy, etc.
- iv. A final suggestion was made to request a portion of the budget to go towards the scholarship fund.
 1. Potentially advertising on our social media, that we offer scholarships and also advertising to local businesses to add them to a banner if they sponsor a child.
 2. Potential for donations to be made at the concessions stand.

b. Staff Request

- i. A formal letter from the board was presented for review; requesting 2 new full time staff members.
 1. One immediately and one in 2026, with the beginning of the year.
 2. Year to date revenue in comparison to 2024 was requested; additionally comp hours held by full time athletics staff.
 3. Hank Haynes motioned to accept the letter with adding on full time comp hours, stats on growth of participation and revenue year to date 2025 vs 2024.
 - a. Motion was seconded by Shawn Boyd and Autumn Chatham.

7. Pinetree Recreation Center Recap

- a. Season opening went well; with Saturdays through the month of May & grand opening on May 24th.
 - i. Staff consisting of Max and Jared; 65 lifeguards and 20 front desk staff. Serving 350 people daily (approximately)
 - ii. Minimal operational issues; small equipment issue that was already fixed.
 - iii. They are also bidding a shade structure for the end of season and discussing implementation of heaters from UNG.

8. Comments/Other

- a. Need two grills at concessions stand for football.

9. Adjournment

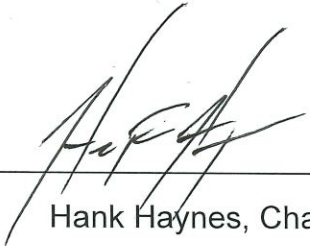
- a. A motion was made to adjourn at 12:58pm by Hank Haynes and seconded by Shawn Boyd
 - i. Passed unanimously



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As recorded by Scarlet Shumate.

June 2025 Minutes approved by: Board Members.



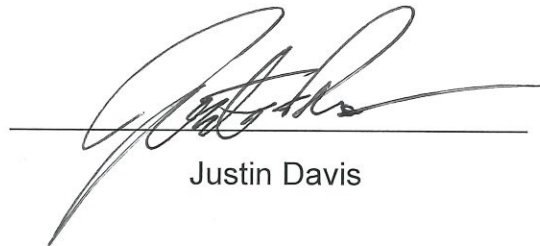
Hank Haynes, Chair



Shawn Boyd



Autumn Chatham



Justin Davis



Jessica Tardonia