

Eastover Town Council Special Meeting
Tuesday, May 16, 2018, at the Eastover Community Center,
4008 School Street, beginning at 2:00PM.

Mayor Charles McLaurin, presiding.
Council Members attending: Stan Crumpler,
Cheryl Hudson, Randy Lee, and Bruce Sykes.
Absent: Lawrence Buffaloe (excused) and Lee Hedgecoe.

Also in attendance were Town Manager Kim Nazarchyk, Fayetteville
Cumberland Parks & Rec Director Michael Gibson, Henry Bowden from
Eastover Community Parks Assoc., and citizen Tom Melvin.

MINUTES

Mayor McLaurin opened the meeting which was called to discuss the lack of construction at the Eastover Ballpark. The Council had met with Mr. Gibson on June 27, 2017, and had been told that by June 30, 2018 the following projects would be completed:

- One tennis court plus clearing for a second.
- Beach volleyball area.
- Splash pad.
- Shelter with bathrooms.
- Two additional parking areas (19 & 54 spaces).
- Clear remaining 8.0 acres for second football/soccer field and amphitheater.
- Walking trail extension.

Currently, only the 8.0 acres of clearing has been completed, and that was done in February of this year.

Other Council Members questioned Mr. Gibson on a firm date for completion, with emphasis on the splash pads. Mr. Gibson stated that pre-bid meeting was tomorrow, then a two week bid period, and work should begin by early June, with about 3 weeks for completion. He also stated that in the 2015-16 fiscal year, it was the first time a massive improvement of parks was undertaken. Fayetteville Cumberland Parks & Recreation (FCPR) was trying to take advantage of volume discounts, and all local governments had not signed off on their request which

delayed progress. He feels those delays are behind us now, and work will start soon. The splash pad location is key to the layout for the other items (tennis court, volleyball, & shelter), and that location has been determined.

Further discussion revealed that the Town should hire an engineer for a "master site plan" to provide locations and elevations that will be needed for future development, particularly for water/sewer lines and drainage. Council was in agreement for Mr. Gibson to ask Jim Kizer to contact the Town Manager regarding this undertaking. Mr. Gibson also addressed Council on the distribution of funding for parks & rec services to the other local governments.

Mr. Nazarchyk reminded Council that a 12 item priority list had been developed (by Council) for future ballpark improvements, and the first six had been submitted to FCPR for the 2018-19 budget year. These total \$419,000. Mr. Gibson should know by late July which of those requests have been funded.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Ms. Hudson at 3:25PM, and a second by Mr. Sykes. Motion approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Town Clerk