



AGENDA SUMMARY

Fort Smith Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting, Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 12:00 p.m.
Creekmore Community Center

Approval of the minutes from March 9 meeting.

Lorie Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Billy Bob Williams and unanimously approved.

1. WATA Lease Agreement Renewal

Robertson made a motion to approve the lease agreement with WATA. The motion was seconded by Bryan Merry and unanimously approved.

2. Project Updates

Park staff have been laying the waterline for the Greg Smith Riverwalk. Darby Legacy Monument is nearing completion. The dedication will be April 30. Rice Carden Walking Trail design is complete and should be bid out soon. Blue Lion Bikeway – Sharrows will be going to Board of Directors for approval this coming Tuesday. We plan to apply for grants for trails and for the 51 acres on Riverfront Drive.

3. Public Comments

Nancy Raney inquired about bike paths at Chaffee Crossing. Penny Packard noted the sports section; soccer and softball being key in women's sports today.

4. Commission & Staff Comments

Robertson noted concerns that the WAPDD regional trail map shows Hwy 255 as a sharrow. She said the plan is to extend that to five lanes in the future and it needs to be listed as a separate multi-use trail on the regional map for when the AHTD begins the project. The Commission noted that time was of the essence and they did not have time to confer with Trails and Greenways and vote on it next month. Robertson made a motion that the section along Frontier Road and Zero Street if applicable be upgraded from a sharrow to a separate trail with input from the Trails and Greenways Committee. The motion was seconded by Merry and unanimously approved.

Madeline Marquette suggested improvements be made to the Creekmore Park restroom.

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