



AGENDA SUMMARY

Fort Smith Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting, Wednesday, April 13, 2011, 11:30 a.m.,
Creekmore Community Center

Announcements and Recognitions

Approval of the minutes from the March 9 meeting.

Eric Pendergrass made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Chris Chaney and unanimously approved.

1. Discuss naming of the River Park Events Building

Madeline Marquette made a motion to move forward with the naming of the River Park the Ray Baker Fort Smith River Park. The motion did not receive a second. Chaney made a motion to not rename the River Park. The motion was seconded by Pendergrass and was tied with Chaney and Pendergrass voting for and Bobby Aldridge and Marquette voting against. Aldridge requested that the naming of the River Park be placed on the Parks Commission agenda in May.

2. Discuss park long range plans

The Commission discussed the CIP. Pendergrass requested that the \$105,000 for the Elm Grove Community Center payment move forward to fund other projects. The Commission discussed the Sebastian County Girls Softball Association and what needs to be done with to relinquish their lease and to settle the LWCF grant requirements.

3. Commission and staff comments

Aldridge asked Mike Alsup to see about getting the Park Commission on the agenda for the A&P Commission to discuss possible use of funds from the 1% Restaurant tax. Alsup noted that we had a good opening weekend for the Park at West End and noted music to be played at the Compass Park on May 7 that will hopefully increase crowds.

4. Citizen comments

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