

Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission

SPECIAL CALL MEETING PHONE CONFERENCE

August 25, 2021
Saluda Shoals Park
Administration Building
5:00 PM

Members Attending: Bill Harmon, Gary Boyd, Akil Ross, Laura Huggins

Members Absent: Tim Stewart

Non-Members Attending: Mark Smyers, Eve Mittendorf, Jay Downs

I. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Harmon called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

II. REQUIREMENTS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

In accordance with the requirements of The Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified of the meeting, it was posted on the website, and a notice and agenda posted at the park sites.

III. NEW BUSINESS

September 2021 Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date Change

Chairman Harmon shared that due to an upcoming National Parks and Recreation Association Conference (NRPA) the week of September 20th, staff is requesting to change the original regularly scheduled Commission meeting to the following week on September 29th; the location would remain the same at Crooked Creek Park.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LAURA HUGGINS TO ACCEPT CHANGING THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2021, REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING TO SEPTEMBER 29, 2021. SECONDED BY AKIL ROSS. VOTE TAKEN. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mark Smyers shared that on July 29, 2021, the CDC issued new COVID guidelines to include contact tracing and quarantine ranges with more flexibility; SC DHEC also recognized CDC guidelines. Mr. Smyers stated that staff will follow the recommendations of CDC and the local DHEC agency. Discussion occurred regarding vaccinated, unvaccinated, and testing guidelines. Commissioner Boyd inquired that due to the number of children in both School District V and the Afternoon Safari program, is ICRC's guidelines aligned with Lexington Richland School District V. Mark Smyers replied that the new standards for schools were released on Monday and a statement will be added to ICRC protocols that the agency will align with School District V for Afternoon Safari participants. Discussion occurred regarding the timeline of communicating and the messaging of the new CDC and DHEC guidelines. Mr. Smyers shared that the agency will likely adopt the guidelines immediately for staff and then align with School District V on the timeline and communication for participants.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY AKIL ROSS TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY LAURA HUGGINS, VOTE TAKEN. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eve Mittendorf, Recording Secretary
IRMO CHAPIN RECREATION COMMISSION