



**Vestavia Hills
Parks and Recreation Board Agenda
March 18, 2025
7:30 AM**

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval Of Minutes
 - Minutes from January 21, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - Minutes from February 18, 2025 Work Session
4. Mayor's Report
5. Parks and Leisure Update
 - Baseball and Softball Update
 - Tennis Update
 - Maintenance Update

Old Business

6. Vote on VHAC fees for Summer 2025

New Business

7. VHAC Youth Aquatic Safety Program
8. VHCC Easter Closure

Upcoming Dates

League Reports

Citizens Comments

The Next Meeting of the Vestavia Hills Parks and Recreation Board will be:

9. Next Work Session will be April 15, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.
10. Next Regular Scheduled meeting will be May 13, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.

Time of Adjournment



**CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS & LEISURE SERVICES
INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMO**

March 18, 2025

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Board

From:

Cc:

RE: Minutes from January 21, 2025 Regular Meeting

Background:

Recommendation:

Fiscal Impact:

Attachments:

1. Park Board Minutes 01.21.25

**CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
January 21, 2025 7:30 AM**

PARK BOARD ATTENDEES:

Shelley Gentle
Justin Palmore
Chad Gay
Emily Byrd
Paul Head

Staff Attendees:

Jamie Lee
Sandi Wilson

Community Attendees:

Chad Pilcher - Softball
Rocky Harmon– Soccer
Jay Eichelberger – Softball
Michael Lytle - LaCrosse
Danny Marshall
Will Choat - Basketball

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 AM by Shelley Gentle.

Shelley Gentle led us in Prayer and Jamie Lee led us in the Pledge.

A special presentation and plaque were given to Danny Marshall for his dedication and service to the Park Board over the past 5 years by Shelley Gentle and Paul Head.

New Park Board member, Emily Byrd was introduced and welcomed to the Board.

Paul Head made a motion to elect Chad Gay as Park Board President for 2025 and Justin Palmore as Vice-Chair for 2025. Shelley Gentle 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes November 19, 2024. Motion to approve by Paul Head and 2nd by Shelley Gentle. Motion approved.

Mayor's Report – Mayor not in attendance due to illness.

Jamie Lee's Report:

- Basketball – We are in the final few weeks. All is going well. Playoffs are scheduled to start the week of February 10, 2025.
- Softball numbers are a little low still; 5 – 12U, 25 – 10U and 46 – 6U/8U. We are going to do an email and social media blast and also extend the registration date by a week. Those numbers should improve.
- Miracle League has a few more weeks left for registration. We are about half of what we had last year. Planning to do another email message out to remind parents.
- Tennis numbers for the first session are good. Most sessions are full and we expect to fill the remainder. Start dates have been pushed to later due to the weather.
- Maintenance Update: The fences at SHAC are going in soon. The soccer goal repair pieces are here and will be repaired in the near future. Construction on the playground at Altadena Valley started yesterday and should be completed within a week. We were approved for grant money at Altadena Valley Park for trails. There are several bridges at AVP that we will be addressing in the near future. There was a water issue at the Dog Park at Wald. That has been repaired. The lights at LP have been replaced with the exception of a transformer issue that is currently being addressed. There are a few light issues at Wald and CH that are being worked on as well. The Pepsi scoreboard on LP 10-

14 will be taken down. There are a couple of infrastructure issues that we are having to work through.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Wise Guys request – Jamie received a request from the Wise Guys to have a Kickball Fundraiser tournament at Wald Park. They are requesting a discount. The Park Board agreed to a 50% discount in the rental due to the association being affiliated with the school system. Shelley Gentle made a motion and Paul Head seconded to allow the Parks and Leisure supervisory staff make decisions when it applies to school functions. Motion passed.
- Sand Volleyball Information – Jamie has met with HNP and they have done an extensive study and put together a presentation that will be presented to the Mayor and Council at Strategic Planning in February. The details are included in the packet that Jamie handed out at the meeting. Packet is included at the end of the minutes.
- VHAC – Jamie has met and had several discussions with Williams Blackstock to discuss the addition of a heater to the VHAC to heat the large pool. He did receive a quote of \$9500.00 from WBA to put together some plans for the project. Jamie will discuss with Mr. Downes this afternoon.

Other Discussion / Citizen Comments:

- Danny Marshall commented that he is interested in assisting with the flag football board.
- There was discussion from the Board and Guests concerning baseball and the time frames in which the Spring Season is played.
- There was a suggestion to reach out to Troop 4 at the Methodist Church to inquire about any scout needing Eagle Scout projects.

League Reports:

- Rocky Harmon, Vestavia Hills Soccer Club submitted a written report.
- Jay Eichelberger, Vestavia Hills Girls Softball submitted a written report.
- Wes Garland, Vestavia Hills Girls Basketball Submitted a written report.
- Michael Lytle, Vestavia Hills LaCrosse reported 255 overall players, which is an increase of 15% over last season; with a total of 50 HS boys and 30 HS girls, that is the largest in the state.
- Will Choat, Vestavia Hills Baseball reported that currently there are 1100 players registered for baseball. He reported that the numbers for 4th grade is down from previous seasons.

Upcoming Meetings: Work Session: February 18, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Civic Center
Regular Meeting: March 18, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Civic Center.

Paul Head made a motion to adjourn, Shelley Gentle seconded. Meeting Adjourned at 8:23am.



**CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
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To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Board

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RE: Minutes from February 18, 2025 Work Session

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Fiscal Impact:

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1. Park Board Minutes - February Work Session 2025



ASHLEY CURRY
MAYOR

CITY OF VESTAVIA HILLS
PARKS AND RECREATION
Work Session Notes
February 18, 2025

JAMIE LEE
PARKS AND LEISURE
DIRECTOR

1. Parks & Leisure Update – Jamie Lee
 - a. Basketball Wrap Up – season finished last Saturday. Teams have opted out of ARPA Tournaments due to locations and timing. D-League went really well with Coach Davis. There are a few tournament teams that we are working with the schools to coordinate practices spaces. We ended the season having played 1158 Boys games and 216 Girls games. Our maintenance staff and the School System were a great help!
 - b. Spring Sports Update – Currently have 148 Rec softball players registered; 6U & 8U are very strong and up from last year, No 12U teams this year. Currently registered 1190+ baseball players. LaCrosse total for boys and girls is 254. Boys numbers are up by 10% and the girls numbers are struggling – which seems to be “across the board” with all sports. Miracle League numbers are up some from last year.
 - c. Senior Update – Sandi discussed the upcoming trips & programs; February, March and April.
 - d. Strategic Planning – Next week with Mayor, Council and Department Heads. Jamie’s topics of discussion include; Mine Reclamation at SHAC, Sand Volleyball and VHAC Heating
2. Discussion Topics
 - a. VHAC 2025 FEES – Jamie discussed raising the membership fees at the VHAC for the upcoming season. There was discussion concerning increasing chemicals costs and other factors. Purpose was to open conversation and have any changes in place before April 1, 2025 when memberships for the 2025 Swim Season go on sale.
3. Next Meeting –
 - a. Next regular scheduled meeting will be March 18, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.
 - b. Next work session will be April 15, 2025 at 7:30 am in the Cahaba Room.

Other Discussion that was brought to the Board:

- Chad Long gave an overview of the New Senate Bill, #140 coming before the legislature concerning the Coach Safety Act.
- Jamie gave an update on a few maintenance issues; storm damage, netting and fencing at LP and SHAC. Trees down at McCallum are being cleaned up today.

Work Session adjourned at 8:04am

Park Board Members Present: Chad Gay, Emily Byrd, Paul Head, Justin Palmore, Kirk McCulley, Mayor Curry

Staff Present: Jamie Lee, Sandi Wilson

Guests Present: Michael Lytle, Jay Eichelberger, Rocky Harmon, Avery Brown, Wes Garland, Chad Long



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MAYOR

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Regular Meeting
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JAMIE LEE
PARKS AND LEISURE
DIRECTOR

2024 VHAC Membership Fees:

Senior Adult	\$35
Individual	\$75
Family	\$300
Caregiver	\$60 (Allow 15 entries)

2025 Recommended VHAC Membership Fees:

- 10% increase (rounded to nearest \$5)

Senior Adult	\$40
Individual	\$85
Family	\$330
Caregiver	\$65