



Rome Floyd Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting February 20, 2024 MINUTES

Staff

Todd Wofford- Director
Brooke Turner- Office Manger
Lindsey Jones- Special Services Manager
Jeremiah Blanton- Sports Program Manager

Board Members

Mike Burnes- City of Rome
Thad Watters- Floyd County
Jimmy Smith- Floyd County
Ralph Davis- City of Rome
Larry Bing- Floyd County
Charles Smith- City of Rome
Mistee Graham- Floyd County
Jamie McCord- County Manager
Erin Elrod- Assistant County Manager
Sammy Rich- City Manager
Joyce Mink- Cave Spring
Larry Maxey- County Commissioner
Bill Collins- City Commissioner
Pascha Burge- Rome City Schools
Jamey Alcorn- Floyd County Schools

Call to Order:

Mike Burnes called the meeting to order.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

January minutes approved

February Minutes:

- February's meeting was the annual joint services meeting. Director Todd Wofford gave the annual report.
- Parks and Rec Night with the Rome Emperors is scheduled for May 24th.
- The Land and Water Conservation Fund will be coming in March to look at all parks that have received federal funding.
- The Rink at Ridge Ferry is returning in November with plans to have an even bigger rink.
- The contract with Premier Soccer is being reworked so they are using our facilities less, but this should be offset by Armuchee using North Floyd fields for their games and practices.



- We had a vandalism issue at the Fielder Center that was repaired within 24 hours. The parents of the kids involved have agreed to help cover the cost of repairs.
- Jim Alred has resigned as Recreation Services Manager for a position with Rome City Schools. Lindsey Jones, the Special Services Manager has taken his position.
- Our all-star basketball teams attended the district 5 basketball tournament. All but our 12u girls were knocked out of the championship tournament.
- The rec board voted to recommend the new contract for Golf Fore Less and Rome Premier Soccer.
- We are looking for sponsorships for the ice rink.
- Sports numbers are on the rise, but have levelled out quite a bit.
- Our 6u and 8u numbers remain our highest participation.
- The tiny house at Lock and Dam is open for business. The park is located along the Pinhoti trail, so there are a lot of hikers coming through looking for a place to sleep overnight.
- We continue to see growth with our financial assistance program due to the voucher with Owens Hardware to provide equipment.
- We have done some preliminary work on the 2023 SPLOST projects.
- The 10 year master plan is still awaiting completion, with YMCA and Boys and Girls club activities needing to be factored in as recreation.

Meeting Adjourned
