



**CITY OF CHARLESTON  
WEST VIRGINIA**  
**COUNCIL MEMBER – AT LARGE**



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Parks & Recreation Committee, Chair  
Public Safety Committee

There will be a meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee on November 3, 2022 – 6:30 PM  
in the **AV ROOM #308, CITY HALL.**

**The meeting will take place in person, and can be viewed live via Zoom**

**\*Join via internet:**

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### **Agenda**

#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

1. 8-25-2022

#### **DISCUSSION**

1. Danner Meadow bench memorial
2. Renaming the trail at Cato Park.
3. Update of the North Charleston football field

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**THE AGENDA WAS AMENDED ON 11-1-2022**

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# MINUTES

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
THE MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON IN THE AV ROOM  
AT CITY HALL**

**6:30 P. M., AUGUST 25, 2022**

Larry Moore, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Charleston City Council Committee on Parks and Recreation to order at 6:30p.m., August 25, 2022.

**Committee Members Present:**

Larry Moore, Chair  
Bruce King, Vice Chair (over Zoom, left at 6:35)  
Jeanine Faegre (over Zoom)  
Chad Robinson

**Committee Members Absent:**

Pat Jones  
Joseph Jenkins  
Deanna McKinney

**Other Councilmembers Present:**

A roll call was taken, and it was determined that a quorum was present.

1. Approval of Previous Minutes 2-24-2021-

Councilmember Robinson motioned to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on 2-24-2022. There were no objections, and the minutes were approved.

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## 2. Public Speakers –

With no objection from the members being present, Councilmember Moore allowed for Public Speakers (not listed on the agenda).

Peter Kelly – spoke about the Charleston Senior Softball League.

Harvey Allen – spoke about the state of the Cato Park trail.

3. Resolution No. 710-22 – Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into a contract with West Virginia Demolition, Inc., to demolish a vacant, dilapidated, and unsafe structure located at 143 Wertz Avenue, known as Riverview School.

City Manager, Jonathan Storage, added that in 2002, City Council passed a bill that authorized the City to donate property located at 143 Wertz Avenue to the People United for More Progress, Inc. for the PUMP Enrichment Center. PUMP was required to continue to use the property and all of its structures for the purpose of making the facilities available to the general public for the appreciation, advancement and enjoyment of cultural and educational activities. Storage added that the program was successful, however, PUMP Inc. hasn't operated for several years. The building that they occupied is now depilated, and unfortunately must be demolished. The property surrounding the building is still heavily used by the Community for basketball, playground, barbeques, etc. The CLRA, with the help of Jim Harris, assessed the Community's needs, and determined that the land is best utilized as a community gathering space. In the future, there will be a plan to refresh that space as a park with playground equipment, etc. Storage added that the demolition cost is approximately \$40,000. The resolution lists \$60,000 in case lead or asbestos abatement is needed.

Jim Harris added that the recreational center has been the hub of that community for as long as he could remember. Parks and Recreation used to run programs out of that facility for several years.

Councilmember Robinson motioned to approve the resolution. With the members being present having voted unanimously in the affirmative, the Chair declared Resolution No. 710-22 as approved.

4. Parks and Recreation programming update – the complete update is reproduced at the end of the minutes.

Parks and Recreation Director, Rashaun Poore, added that the completion of the Cato Park trail has been delayed, mostly due to the amount of rain. The new completion date is September 16, 2022. An archery course will be installed at the Garrison trail. Additionally, 44 lifeguards were certified for City pools.

Storage added that the City is in the process of resolving contract disagreements with the paver for the parking lot at the North Charleston Community Center. The Kanawha Valley Trail Alliance has been a great resource in helping the City to get ready to bid out construction for the Jones Woodlands Trail off of Loudon Heights. The Police Station at City Center will be repainted to match the exterior view of the KRT facility.

5. Field turfing update –

Councilmember Moore asked about turfing the football field at North Charleston. Storage added that it wouldn't be able to in the current contract, but could be worked on. Councilmember Moore replied that the field was highly used, so it would be beneficial.

Storage added that Maumee Bay Turf LLC will soon be awarded a contract for turfing several fields within the City.

6. Danner Meadow –

Poore added that there has been a request from the Brown family about having a bench dedicated to Mr. Brown.

7. Swimming program in the name of Deonco Howard -

Councilmember Moore added that Deonco Howard was the child that drowned in Dunbar, and was a Charleston resident. His family wanted there to be a program for swimming lessons for young kids that do not have easy access to swimming lessons next summer. Councilmember Robinson confirmed with Poore that there is small program already to teach swimming led by two people that charge. Storage added that there might be grants available for that.

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Councilmember Robinson motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.



#### Cato Park

- Cato Park Trail Project will include:
  - Pump track for non-motorized bicycles.
  - Approx. 1.2 miles of Walking/ biking trail through and around the golf course
  - 18-hole disc golf course with beginners and advanced tee off levels
  - A new bridge

The trail project was anticipated to be completed in June 2022, but the unusual rainy season has caused major delays in finishing on time as well as drainage issues discovered during one of the big rain events. The project has a new completion date of September 16<sup>th</sup>. Delays caused by usual rainy season.

- Anticipate installing new 3D archery course on the trails behind the pool

#### 2022 Summer Programming/ Activities

- Free fitness class held at the East End Community Park at our AARP sponsored fitlot
- Two-week summer camp program held at the North Charleston Community Center with an average of 50 kids each day
- Helped to host the kids' zone on Sunday August 7<sup>th</sup> at Multifest by providing Freeze Pop Frenzy game, cornhole, and full sized basketball goals
- Helped to host Tamar Slay's basketball camp on August 6<sup>th</sup> at the MLK center as part of Multifest
- Partnered with Leeshia Lee to help host Game Changers mentoring event
- Employed over 44 lifeguards this season!!!!
- Resurfaced and painted the basketball courts at the Beatrice Street Park. Waiting to receive the playground equipment to finish up the park.

#### 2022 Fall/Winter Goals

- Continue to update all fall protection surfaces at playgrounds
- Replace and update boating dock, picnic tables, and benches at the Daniel Boone Park
- Update the bathroom stalls at MLK in the Robert Edward Easley Annex (afterschool side of the building)
- Update game room equipment for all centers
- Re-screen and re-coat gym floors at NCCC, KCCC, and MLK

CDBG Grant Projects – None for this year. The request to update the community center front doors to include automatic door openers was approved and completed in FY 21-22.

#### City Wide Programs/ Events

- Trunk or Treat on Magic Island held on October 30, 2021
- Christmas Parade held on December 9, 2021
- Urban Fishing at Cato Park held on December 27 & 28, 2021
- Winter Series Race / Walk held on Dec. 12, Jan. 9 & Feb 6, 2022
- Black History Fest at MLK, Jr. Community Center held on Feb 19, 2022
- Easter Egg Hunt on Magic Island held on April 16, 2022
- WVSSAC Tennis Tournament May (KCCC) May 11-14, 2022
- Morning Yoga @ Magic Island Every Monday in June & July, 2022
- Juneteenth Celebration (NCCC) held on June 19, 2022
- Sternwheel Regatta June 30-July 4, 2022
- Public Courts Tennis Tournament (KCCC) July 8-16, 2022
- End of Summer Block Party (Magic Island) held on August 20, 2022

#### At North Charleston Community Center

- Monday-Friday 2:30pm-6pm  
Bob Burdette After School Program for Elementary Students. This is a very successful After-School Program that is free to the public.
- Tuesdays & Thursdays 6pm-7pm  
Kids in Motion-Fitness classes for Youth 5-12 yrs. Obstacle Courses, Relay Races, Jump Rope, Tug of War, etc.
- Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 9am-12noon / Thursday evening 6pm-8:30pm  
Pickle Ball is a pick-up game held in our gym for adult players, free of charge. This game is extremely popular for adults and seniors.
- Wednesdays  
Socializing through Play-For Special Needs Individuals of all ages. Fun, Games and Snacks
- Thursdays 5:30pm-6:30pm  
Soul Step Class-taught by certified instructor Monica Ashford for \$5 per person. This is an exercise class with the purpose of achieving your fitness goals while having fun.
- Thursdays (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month) 1pm-3:30pm  
BINGO for Seniors with household items to win. This is a free event. Refreshments are served

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- Friday, December 17, 2022 7pm-10pm  
Holiday Kids Night Pajama Jam-For all ages. Food, Games, Crafts, Christmas Store with Gifts & more.
- Fridays (Jan. 21 & April 22, 2022) 8am-11pm  
Teen Night / Lock-In
- Tuesdays & Thursdays 5:30pm-6:30pm (February-May 2022)  
Zumba & Yoga taught by certified instructor Monica Ashford for \$5 per person. This is an exercise dance class and Yoga for the purpose of general exercise and/or weight loss for adult participation
- Saturdays, 9am-Noon  
Adult Volley Ball meets in our gym on half-court. This is a free activity and is a pick-up game.
- Wednesday, March 9, 2022  
Biddy Basketball Registration and Draft-Introductory Basketball League for Youth ages 5-8 yrs.
- Tuesdays & Thursdays-Practice / Saturdays-League Games (March 19-April 9, 2022)  
Biddy Basketball League Practices held from 6pm-8pm and Saturday Games from 12pm-3pm.
- Mondays, March 14 & April 11, 2022  
Lunchtime Crafts-An opportunity for Parents & Youth to work on different Crafts at Lunchtime.
- Saturday, April 16, 2022 5pm-8pm  
Biddy Basketball League Championship Tournament & Banquet
- Saturday, May 7, 2022 1pm-4pm  
Community Fun Day (Health Rite)
- Saturday, July 23, 2022 7pm-10pm  
Free GLOW Swimming Party-For ages 15 + (Parks & Recreation Month)
- Saturday, August 13, 2022 9am-2pm  
1 Day Back-To-School Camp
- Game Room: Daily:  
This room houses a variety of games for youth, such as pool, air hockey, foosball, basketball shoot and table tennis and board games.

Upcoming Events/Activities at North Charleston

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- Wednesdays 6pm-8pm  
Special Olympics Volleyball Practice beginning August 17, 2022
- Mondays 5:30pm-8:45pm  
The Charleston Table Tennis League has league games in our full gym. This is an adult league. Those adults who want to join must pay a membership fee of \$25 to the CITL. We normally have 20-25 participants. League play will begin September 12, 2022

North Charleston Community Center Summer Youth Workers

1. Nyla Harris
2. Markel Lassiter Booker
3. Zara Perdue
4. Tavarish Porter
5. Natalyia Sayles
6. Yashae Williams
7. Yashir Williams
8. Donte Denham

North Charleston Community Center Summer Recreation Aid's/Concessions

1. Aven Carter

North Charleston Community Center Lifeguards

1. Greyson Baker
2. Emma Baker
3. Alexa Bostic
4. Kayleb Burks
5. Jayden Cunningham
6. Shaleena Dunlap
7. Elijah Inham
8. Salena Legg
9. Devaun Lloyd
10. Cameron Long
11. Nehemiah Lowers
12. April Meadows
13. Jamar Townsend

North Charleston Community Center Swimming Pool Managers

1. Julia Kinney "Floater"
2. La'Stacia Williams

At MLK Community Center

- PAAC 21<sup>st</sup> Century After-School Program-Monday-Friday 2:30pm-5:30pm. Partnership of African American Churches' 21<sup>st</sup> Century After-School Program is offered to students K-12. This is a free program that helps with homework and offers a meal and activities. This is a very successful After-School Program. This program has been in operation for the past 15 years and has resided here at the King Center for over 10 years.
- Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 6pm-8pm  
USA Boxing League-This program is for age 8+. Boxing Instruction & Training
- Tuesdays & Thursdays 6pm-9pm (March 29-July 28, 2022)  
Men's Basketball League
- Wednesdays 6pm-8pm  
Teen Hoop Night-This is open to all teens. They may play full court Basketball games with a clock, scorekeeper & music in the Gym
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 3pm-5pm  
Movie Day-PG Movies for Youth 5-12 yrs.
- Sundays 9am-2pm (January 9-March 6, 2022 / April 24-July 24, 2022)  
Adult Flag Football League
- Friday, January 29, 2022  
Teen Night / Lock-In
- Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9am-2pm  
Workforce WV Pop-Up Shop-Job Fair/Training
- Friday, July 22, 2022 4pm-6pm  
Splash Pizza Swimming Pool Party-For Youth 12 yrs. & under
- Sundays 9am-2pm (July 31-Present)  
Women's Flag Football League

#### MLK Community Center Youth Summer Workers

1. Joseph Allen
2. Jeffrey Harris
3. Gale Lamb
4. Ja'Quez Loveless
5. Sydnee Ward
6. Kailen Williams

#### MLK Community Center Summer Recreation Aid's/Concessions

1. Caroline Kinney

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2. Kelleia Williams

MLK Community Center Lifeguards

1. Maddie Armstrong
2. Madison Dean
3. Cavonte Duncan
4. Tayon English
5. Jaunti Evans
6. Markei Hampton
7. Alexis Thomas

MLK Community Center Swimming Pool Managers

1. Patricia King
2. Forrest Long (Floater)

At Kanawha City Community Center

- Monday-Friday 2:30pm-6pm  
Step by Step After-School Program for Elementary Students. This is a very successful after-school program that is free to the public.
- Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays 9am-12pm  
Pickleball-The Gym is open for anyone to play pickleball. Pickleball is an adaptation of Tennis, designed for lower impact. There is no fee for this activity.
- Tuesdays & Thursdays 6pm-7pm  
Women's Hour Fitness-This is an opportunity for Women to work out in the weight room and learn how to exercise and use the weights safely. This program is led by Center Staff and there is no fee to participate.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6pm-8pm  
Charleston Coin Club Meeting-Community Room
- Thursdays 6pm-9pm  
Teen Game Night-Games & Gaming for teens.
- Thursday 6pm-9pm  
Teen Night Basketball-The Gym is open for teens to play pick-up Basketball games. There is no charge for this activity

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- Fridays 12pm-2pm  
Card Sharks-Cards Games for Seniors 55+
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 6pm-8pm  
Movie Night-PG Movies for Youth ages 5-12 yrs.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 1pm-3pm  
Senior Social-For Seniors 55+ to socialize through games, food and structured activities.  
There is no fee to participate.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 6pm-8pm  
Painting Party-\$5 per person and this event is open to all age groups. There is no instructor for this class but participants are given inspirational pieces to use as a muse and all materials are supplied.
- Wednesdays 5:30pm-7:30pm (January 5-June 22, 2022)  
Karaoke Night-Youth 5-18 yrs.
- Saturdays 12pm-2pm (January 8-March 26, 2022)  
Capital City Striders Track & Field Practice-Gym-For Youth ages 5-18 yrs.
- Mondays 5pm-8pm (February 7-March 29)  
Church Basketball League-Adult & High School Church Basketball League
- Wednesday, April 20, 2022 9am-2pm  
Workforce WV Pop-Up Shop Job Fair/Training
- Friday, May 27, 2022 10am-5pm  
Food & Clothing Giveaway
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (July 19-August 4)  
Paula Martin Memorial Swimming Lessons-For Youth 12 yrs. & under. Cost is\$10 per session and each session is 3 classes (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday)
- Friday, July 22, 2022 1pm-5pm  
Free Luau Swimming Pool Bash-For Youth ages 10-16 yrs. (Parks & Recreation Month)
- Saturday, August 13, 2022 5pm-12am  
Free Glow in the Dark Lock-In-For Youth ages 8-18 yrs.

Kanawha City Community Center Summer Youth Workers

1. Jakori Clark
2. Aaron Marshall

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3. Dazariah Maxell
4. Christian Robinson
5. Danijah Guerrant
6. Zavion Claire
7. Talayah Boxley
8. Jacqueline Armes
9. Alariq Kizer

Kanawha City Community Center Summer Recreation Aid's

1. Reggie McIver

Kanawha City Community Center Lifeguards

1. Hannah Anderson
2. Yazsmine Coleman
3. Marlon Dixon
4. Jaysean Gee
5. Jayson Lee
6. Jayden Mitchell
7. Cami Pullins
8. Luke Smith
9. Kensy Thomas

Kanawha City Community Center Swimming Pool Managers

1. Abbigail Robinson
2. Clifton Joiner (Floater)

Cato Park Youth Summer Workers

1. Tru Bell
2. Destiny Belcher

Cato Park Recreation Aid/Concessions

1. Deishawn Harper
2. Badriah Caldwell
3. Jace Fisher

Cato Park Lifeguards

1. Dereyon Brown
2. James Clendenin
3. Kiara Dyess
4. Leroy Evans
5. Savannah Graley

6. Aaliyah Henry
7. Zavier Holmes
8. Andrew Jordan
9. Makalia Montgomery
10. Ana Soblit
11. Dylan Summerlin
12. Breanna Summerlin
13. Alexah Terry

Cato Park Swimming Pool Managers

1. Anasia Griffin

At Roosevelt Neighborhood Center

- Monday 6:00-8:00pm  
Men's Basketball Night-Full court pick-up basketball for men age 18+.
- Monday-Thursday 4pm-5pm  
Men's Fitness – Men 18+ are welcome to participate in a wide variety of fitness activities
- Tuesdays 6pm-7pm  
Line Dance Class-Seniors 55+
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 12pm-2:30pm / Friday Evening 6pm-8pm  
Pickleball – Adults 18+
- Wednesday 9:00am-1:00pm  
Senior Program-Program is operated by the EERC and is open to those 60+. Great opportunity for seniors to gather and socialize. Lunch served at 12:00 (noon).
- Thursdays 6pm-7pm  
Gentle Movement Yoga-Instructor Monique Anderson teaches low impact Yoga class for Seniors 55+
- Wednesdays & Fridays (January 26-April 8, 2022)  
Heels & Feels Dance Class-Hip Hop Dance Class for ladies 18+. \$10 per class.

Events/Activities at Roosevelt

- January 6, 2022 5pm-7pm  
Bean Dinner (Snow Day)
- January 13, 2022 6pm  
Cupcake Baking and Decorating Class

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- January 19, 2022 6pm  
National Popcorn Day
- January 27, 2022 6pm  
Teen Night
- January 31, 2022 6pm  
National Hot Chocolate Day
- February 14, 2022 5pm  
Valentines Bingo
- February 17, 2022 5:30pm  
Black History Month Speaker – Hollis Lewis
- February 23, 2022 11:15am  
Chair Yoga-Black History Month
- February 24, 2022 6pm  
Teen Night
- February 28, 2022 5:30pm  
Little Bit of Soul Food Tasting
- March 2, 2022 5:30pm  
World Mental Health Wellness Day
- March 7-11, 2022 1pm-6pm  
Spring Break Activities (Movies, PS4, BINGO, etc.)
- March 14, 2022 5:30pm  
St. Patrick's Day Craft
- March 17, 2022 5:30pm  
St. Patrick's Day Celebration
- March 31, 2022 6pm  
Teen Night
- April 12, 2022 6pm  
National Grilled Cheese Day

- April 15, 2022 6pm  
World Art Day
- April 22, 2022 4pm-6pm  
Earth Day Scavenger Hunt
- April 28, 2022 6pm  
Teen Night
- May 3, 2022 6pm  
Mother's Day Craft
- May 6, 2022 6pm  
Cinco de Mayo Celebration
- May 26, 2022 6pm  
Teen Night
- June 7, 2022 6pm  
National Best Friend Day Craft
- June 27, 2022 6pm  
National BINGO Day
- August 11, 2022 2:30pm  
National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day Cooking Class

#### Roosevelt Youth Summer Workers

1. Camdyn Harris
2. Anthony Carter
3. Candace Morris
4. Elyria McCarthy
5. Reagan Meadows
6. Riley Meadows