

**TOWN OF MINT HILL  
PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES  
May 8, 2018**

The Park and Recreation Committee of the Town of Mint Hill met in regular session on May 8, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at the Mint Hill Town Hall.

**ATTENDANCE**

Chairperson: Sandy Barnett

Members: Michelle McDonald, Ray Thompson, and Dalton Taylor

Absent: Roger Bowden, Ron Freeman, Bryan Burns

Town Staff: Brian Welch, Steve Frey, Chris Cochrane

Program Support Assistant: Cassie Crutchfield

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barnett at 8:00 a.m., who declared a quorum and asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and observe a moment of silence.

**Addition, Deletion and Arrangement of Other Agenda Items:** None.

**Approval of Minutes of March 13, 2018 Regular Meeting:** Upon the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. McDonald, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of March 13, 2018 regular meeting.

**New Business:**

A. **Discussion and Decision on Park Major Event Application for Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society:** Chairperson Barnett asked the applicant Gerald Crossman to present his application to the Committee.

Mr. Crossman said they have done this event for several years at Mint Hill. This as an opportunity to show their skills for working communication in less ideal circumstances. The event was open to the public. They have a station to get on the air and have people of all ages communicate to people around the world. They have an estimate of 40,000 amateurs that make over a million contacts. It was a 24-hour event. They set up Friday, operate Saturday and take it down on Sunday. They always clean up after themselves and make sure the park was in good shape before they leave.

Mr. Thompson asked had there been any problems in the past? Manager Welch said no.

Chairperson Barnett asked how many people do they expect to attend this event? Mr. Crossman said they expect 80 participants and visitors. Chairperson Barnett asked were they advertising this event on any type of social media? Mr. Crossman said they were looking at advertising in the Mint Hill Times. They have already contacted the Boy Scouts to help advertise their event.

**Upon the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. McDonald, the Committee unanimously agreed to approve the Major Event Application for Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society.**

**Other Business:** Mrs. Barnett asked were the soccer fields closed for the summer? Mr. Cochrane said yes, they were closed from June 1, 2018 – July 31, 2018.

**Adjournment:** Upon the motion of Chairperson Barnett, seconded by Mr. Thompson and the Committee unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting. Chairperson Barnett adjourned the meeting at 8:12 a.m.

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Cassie Crutchfield  
Program Support Assistant