



HORRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT PARKS AND OPEN SPACE BOARD AGENDA

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 12:00noon
Government & Justice Center, Multipurpose Room B, 2nd floor
1301 Second Ave, Conway, SC 29526

- 1. *Call to Order***
 - 2. *Pledge of Allegiance***
 - 3. *Invocation***
 - 4. *Introduction of Board Members***
 - 5. *Minutes***
 - Approval of 11.14.2023 Minutes
 - 6. *Public Input***
 - 7. *Presentations***
 - PARD Grants
 - Current and Upcoming Projects
 - Keep Horry County Beautiful - Update
 - 8. *Discussion***
 - Staff Member Updates
 - Board Member Updates
 - 9. *Announcements***
 - Next Keep Horry County Beautiful Meeting – January 30, 2024 11:30am in Multipurpose Room B of the Government & Justice Center, Conway
 - Next Parks and Open Space Board Meeting – March 5, 2024 in Multipurpose Room B of the Government & Justice Center, Conway
 - 10. *Adjourn***
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HORRY COUNTY PARKS AND OPEN SPACE BOARD 2023

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PARKS AND OPEN SPACE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE 2024

Board Meetings are typically held in the Multi-purpose Room of the Government & Justice Center located at 1301 Second Avenue in Conway, unless otherwise noted. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

Date	Time	Event
January 9, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
March 5, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
April 9, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Location TBD
May 14, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
July 9, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
August 6, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
September 17, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center
November 12, 2024	12:00 – 1:00PM	Board Meeting – Multipurpose Room B Government & Justice Center

There are no meetings scheduled for February, June, October, and December. If needed, additional meetings can be scheduled.

*According to the Bylaws, the Board must hold *at least* four (4) Meetings annually. Meetings may be changed to a Workshop.

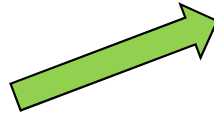
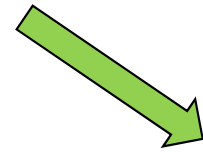
Parks and Open Space Board



What does the Parks and Open Space Board do??

Promote:

1. Preservation of
2. Connectivity of
3. Protection of
4. Conservation of
5. Expansion of
6. Tourism of
7. Education on
8. Awareness of
9. Research on



Scope:

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| 1. Open Space | 10. Plazas |
| 2. Scenic Areas | 11. Parks |
| 3. Vistas | 12. Mini-Parks |
| 4. Greenways | 13. Picnic Areas |
| 5. Squares | 14. Bicycle or |
| 6. Village Greens | Hiking Trails |
| 7. Environmental | 15. Golf Courses |
| and Natural | 16. Recreational |
| Resources | Sites (hunting) |
| 8. Playgrounds | 17. Wildlife habitat |
| 9. Playfields | 18. Sensitive Land |

Chapter 15- Planning, Article VII- Horry County Parks and Open Space Board

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF HORRY)

Horry County Parks & Open Space
Parks & Open Space Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 14, 2023

The Horry County Parks and Open Space Board met on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 12:00 pm at the Government & Justice Center, Multipurpose Room B in Conway, SC 29526. The following Parks & Open Space Board members were present: Robert Ziegler, Suzanne Pritchard, Dan Ober, Royce Sonny Parrish Jr., and Richard Carroll.

Staff present: Director, Ray Dunham, Administrative Services Coordinator, Chad Batchelor and Director of Public Works, Randy Plummer.

Board members absent: Sarah Diaz, Thomas Mezzapelle, and William Kevin Gause.

The following visitors attended:

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robert Ziegler called the meeting to order at approximately 12:07 pm. Chairman Ziegler led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman Ziegler asked all Board members to introduce themselves and announce their County Council District.

MINUTES

Approval of October 3, 2023 Minutes,

Chairman Ziegler introduced the agenda item and asked the Board to take a moment to review the minutes from the previous meeting. Richard Carroll made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 3, 2023. Sonny Parrish seconded the motion. There was no discussion.

The motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from October 3, 2023 of the Parks and Open Space Board carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

OLD BUSINESS

Open Space Fund Update

Chairman Ziegler introduced topic and gave an overview. Ray Dunham stated that the Open Space Fund has a balance of \$125,263.00 for use by the Parks & Open Space Board as discussed at the previous meeting.

Chairman Ziegler discussed potential use of funds for Freewoods Farm in District 6. Chairman Ziegler told the Board about the brief history of the Farm and their need for additional funding. Chairman Ziegler asked staff to look into the feasibility of using the funds for this purpose. Mr. Dunham stated staff would follow up.

NEW BUSINESS

Open Space Fund Garden City Signage

Chairman Ziegler introduced topic and gave an overview. Chairman Ziegler welcomed Director of Public Works, Randy Plummer, to provide an overview of the topic. Mr. Plummer stated that Public Works was requesting Open Space funds to refurbish two Garden City Signs originally funded by Keep Horry County Beautiful. The costs of the signs are \$3,693.00. Mr. Plummer stated the local vendor recommend refurbishing the signs, instead of repairing the signs.

Suzanne Pritchard entered the meeting

Mr. Plummer stated the Vendor will repaint and replace posts on the signs. Mr. Plummer also stated they would have to receive an updated quote.

Bob Ziegler made a motion to refurbish both signs at no more than a total of \$4,000.00. Royce Sonny Parrish, Jr. seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. ***The motion to contribute up to 4,000.00 in Open Space funds towards the refurbishment of two Garden City signs passed unanimously.***

Keep Horry County Beautiful Re-Appointments

Chairman Ziegler introduced topic and gave an overview. Ray Dunham stated that The Parks and Open Space Board appoints at-large members to the Keep Horry County Beautiful Committee. Keep Horry County Beautiful currently has two (2) vacancies. There are currently two members seeking re-appointment for positions with terms expiring 12/31/2023.

Neither re-appointee was present. Staff confirmed that re-appointees had verified their desire to continue on the Committee.

Chairman Ziegler made a motion to reappoint Vincent Lehotsky and Edna Dewitt to Keep Horry County Beautiful for terms expiring on 12/31/2026. Dan Ober seconded the motion. With no further discussion, ***the motion to reappoint Vincent Lehotsky and Edna Dewitt to Keep Horry County Beautiful for terms expiring on 12/31/2026 passed unanimously.***

Open Space Fund Garden City Signage

Chairman Ziegler introduced topic and gave an overview of 2024 calendar of meetings. Mr. Ziegler encouraged staff to schedule meetings in other locations other than Government and Justice Center. Mr. Ziegler also requested follow-up on capital project updates. Ray Dunham suggested additional workshops could be provided with others in attendance to provide such updates. Mr. Parrish stated that the April 2nd meeting should be moved to April 9th. The Board agreed. Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Ziegler asked for a motion.

Sonny Parrish made a motion to approve the 2024 Calendar of Meetings with noted changes. Richard Carroll seconded the motion. ***The motion to approve the calendar of 2024 meetings with the proposed change of the April meeting passed unanimously.***

DISCUSSION

Staff Updates

Ray Dunham briefly announced upcoming programs and Basketball registrations. Mr. Dunham announced upcoming 2024 enhancements that were approved for the fiscal year of 2024 budget, including the additional of staff. New staff will be based out of Cochran, until new centers are built and will add to capacity in the rural areas. Chairman Ziegler requested staff updates be sent to specific board members. Mr. Dunham outlined requests for website updates.

Board Member Updates

Mr. Carroll inquired about Aynor lights and scoreboard. Mr. Dunham stated that the project is ongoing with cooperation from the Maintenance Department.

Mr. Ziegler requested additional information about the Aynor Recreation Center. Mr. Dunham gave a brief overview of the project. Mr. Ziegler stated that parking at The Hulk is an issue and there is additional land adjacent.

Suzanne Pritchard asked about ground penetrating radar at Vereen Memorial Gardens. Mr. Dunham stated he would follow up with staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Suzanne Pritchard made a motion to adjourn. Sonny Parish seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:57 pm.