



PASCAGOULA RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING February 2, 2022

Mike McElhaney opened the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Mike West was present.

Mike McElhaney made the motion to approve minutes as written. Motion passed.

Old Business:

I.G. Levy: At the January 18<sup>th</sup> council meeting Council authorized Compton Engineering to advertise construction work for IG Levy South basketball Court.

Point Park: Point Park boat launches are still scheduled to shut down on February 7<sup>th</sup> for repairs to existing surrounding construction at the piers. In addition, gravel parking bays will be paved. Point Park will still be accessible to general.

Lighthouse Park: Project complete but the contractor will add fencing surrounding pickle ball courts and make some additional drainage improvements at the park.

Bike Stations: The bike stations have been delivered. The recreation department along with a few cyclists decided Lighthouse Park, Point Park and MCC Park would be the first location to have the stations installed.

New Business:

A. Larry Sims: Recreation Commission would like to see the Tennis Courts at IG Levy named after Larry Sims. Mike McElhaney made a motion to ask the city council to name the tennis courts after Larry Sims. Jason Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed. Antoinette will let the commission know when they are placed on the council agenda.

B. Parks and Recreation Department Updates:

1. Athletics: Softball has 120 players which is an increase from last year. Most division has several teams and tournaments are being scheduled. Baseball has over 300 players enrolled which is in an increase for last year. Adult Rec league volleyball registration is currently open.
2. Programs- We have started a competitive cheerleading program. Dr Seuss Birthday Celebration will be March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will serve about 200 preschoolers.

Chris Grace brought up safety concerns about golf carts in the sportsplex. Parents allow children to drive the carts and there concerns about someone getting hurt. Chris also said he was asked about possibly naming the basketball court at IG Levy after a victim of domestic violence who was murdered. Antoinette and the Recreation Committee said they need to do more research on the idea. Some other idea was maybe starting a scholarship fund or foundation.

Lee Tingle would like to see long term goals for the Recreation Commission.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 5:30 pm on March 2, 2022 at the Pascagoula Recreation Center.

/s/s Antoinette Johnson  
Antoinette Johnson, Secretary

*Members Present:*

Mike McElhaney  
Jason Williams  
Chris Grace  
Lee Tingle

*Members Absent:*

Jay Spradlin  
Aulton Vann  
Linda Thomas