



Parks and Greenways Board
Regular Meeting
November 12, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. Approval of the Agenda**
- 4. Approval of September 10, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes**
- 5. Approval of September 17, 2024, Special Site Meeting Minutes**
- 6. Budget Report**
- 7. Old Business**
 - a) Bird box discussion
 - b) Staircase at Jump Off Rock
 - c) Volunteer Appreciation
- 8. New Business**
 - a) Parks and Greenways Board Membership & Appointment Recommendation
 - b) Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Recommendation
 - c) Text Amendment for Signage
 - d) Trail and park assessment post Helene: Laurel Green, Rhododendron Lake, Canal Park, Crystal Spring, Glen Rock Spring, Jump Off Rock, Blue Trail, Yellow Trail, Red Trail, Olds Lane Trail
- 9. Park Technician's Report**
- 10. Invasives Species Committee Report**
- 11. Bee Committee Report**
- 12. Centennial Committee Report**
- 13. Board and Commissioner Comments**
- 14. Adjournment**

Next Meetings:

No Site Meetings in November or December due to Holidays

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 @ 9:30 a.m. (Regular Meeting)



TOWN OF LAUREL PARK
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Title of Item: Parks and Greenways Board Appointment Recommendation

Presenter: Cara R. Reeves- Zoning Administrator

Attachment(s): Yes/No

1. Pat LaSalle (Bee Committee Member)
2. Karen Newberry
3. Pamela Flasch
4. Joseph W. Amy

Summary of Item: The Town Council appoints volunteers to serve on the four (4) standing advisory boards, and any other boards and commissions as needed. Current members may be reappointed, or new applicants appointed.

Town staff has solicited the public for applications on the Town's Facebook page and website, and the bimonthly newsletter.

The Parks and Greenways Board will have 3 open positions with a 2-year term ending 12/31/26.

1. Gary Anderson (does not wish to renew his term)
2. Terry Pierce (does not wish to renew her term)
3. John McGregor (wishes to renew his term)

Currently applying:

1. John McGregor (Current Parks and Greenways Board Member)
2. Pat LaSalle (Bee Committee Member)
3. Karen Newberry
4. Pamela Flasch
5. Joseph W. Amy

Suggested Action: Council requests Parks and Greenways Board make a recommendation for the three open seats.

Entry #: 3 - Pat La Salle Status: Submitted Submitted: 9/11/2024 7:13 PM

Name

Pat La Salle

Mailing Address

48 Nandina Lane, Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739

Physical Address

48 Nandina Lane, Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739

Cell Phone

(908) 507-8943

Work/Home Phone

Email

pat_lasalle@hotmail.com

I am interested in serving on:

Parks and Greenways Board

Personal Information

Spouse Name

Patricia Manning La Salle

High School

Mother Seton Regional HS
Clark, NJ

College (Undergrad)

Stevens Institute of Technology
Hoboken NJ
Bachelor of Engineering - Electrical Engineering

College (Graduate)

Employer

Retired

Job Title

Prior Public Service

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Dates

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Bee City USA of Laurel Park Committee

Dates

May, 2023 - present

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Laurel Park Garden Volunteers

Dates

April, 2023 - present

Comments

Having graduated from the Henderson County Master Gardeners class in 2023, I feel that I can lend my expertise to the Parks and Greenways Committee. I actively participate in the LP Garden Volunteers and enjoy working to keep our town as beautiful as possible. I feel that my engineering, organizational and planning skills make me uniquely qualified to make a positive contribution to the Parks & Greenways Committee. I look forward to a positive response to my candidacy.

Entry #: 5 - Karin Newberry Status: Submitted Submitted: 9/19/2024 5:15 PM

Name

Karin Newberry

Mailing Address

2781 Laurel Park Hwy, Laurel Park, North Carolina 28739

Physical Address

2781 Laurel Park Hwy, Laurel Park, North Carolina 28739

Cell Phone

(469) 766-2058

Work/Home Phone

Email

Karinjnewberry@gmail.com

I am interested in serving on:

Parks and Greenways Board

Personal Information

Spouse Name

Sam Newberry

High School

College (Undergrad)

Marietta College- BS economics

College (Graduate)

Vanderbilt- MBA

Employer

Retired

Job Title

Prior Public Service

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Dates

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Dates

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Dates

Comments

Willing to volunteer part time on various projects

Entry #: 6 - Pamela Flasch Status: Submitted Submitted: 9/19/2024 9:40 PM

Name

Pamela Flasch

Mailing Address

6 Cedarbrook Drive, Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739

Physical Address

SAME, Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739

Cell Phone

(540) 742-3862

Work/Home Phone

(864) 823-7743

Email

catvorrang@yahoo.com

I am interested in serving on:

As needed

Personal Information

Spouse Name

Mark V Flasch

High School

Parkersburg (WV) HS

College (Undergrad)

University of South Carolina

College (Graduate)

UVA certified Planning Commissioner; Texas A&M Disaster Mgmt Certification; FEMA Certified Advanced Public Information Officer; University of SC Project Mgmt Certification

Employer

Greenville Water

Job Title

Director of Communications

Prior Public Service

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Luray, VA Town Council, Planning Commission, BZA, Comp Plan Committee, Bicentennial Director

Dates

2004-2015

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Junior League: Spartanburg and Greenville SC

Dates

1994-present

Board/Commission/Civic Organization

Dates

Comments

I am interested in serving where needed and most useful. I am beginning a Citizen's Planning Academy in Greenville in my work role. My work schedule is somewhat flexible.

Town of Laurel Park

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

RECEIVED
FEB 25 2024
TOWN OF
LAUREL PARK

Name Joseph W. Amy Date 2/23/24
Mailing Address 1935 TRELLIS LANE Street Address _____
HENDERSONVILLE, NC _____
28739 _____
Home/Cell Phone 843-860-6446 Work Phone same
Email Address Jamy Banker@gmail.com

I Am Interested In Serving On:
 Planning Board ABC Board As Needed
 Board of Adjustment Parks and Greenways Board

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Spouse Name: Jennie Lou Amy
High School: Klondike High School, Tippecanoe County, IN
College: See Resume Degree _____
College: See Resume Degree _____
Employer: See Resume
Job Title: Retired

PRIOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Board/Commission/Civic Org.	From	To
<u>Center Park HOA</u>	<u>1/2018</u>	<u>3/2022</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

COMMENT (Statement of why you want to serve on this Board)

Attach additional information as needed

Joseph W. Amy
1953 Trellis Lane
Hendersonville, NC 28739
(843) 860-6446 Mobile
E-mail: Jamybanker@gmail.com

SUMMARY

Currently a retired commercial banker and available to volunteer. Previous experience and employers:

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

JAmy Advisor, LLC 2016 - 2023
President and sole member

- Performing consultation engagements for commercial businesses and financial institutions.

Jacksonville Bancorp, Inc. (The Jacksonville Bank), Jacksonville, FL 2014-2016
Executive Vice President & Chief Credit Officer

- Led the restoration of credit risk quality to board and regulatory requirements with the coverage ratio improving from 51.2%, 9/30/14 to 17.5%, 12/31/15 through the resolution of problem credits.
- Rewrote the Credit Policy and Credit Underwriting guidelines meeting state regulatory and FDIC requirements.
- Conducted a loan portfolio stress test satisfying regulatory requirements.
- Improved the loan portfolio credit quality thereby supporting the successful sale of the bank to Ameris Bank on 3/11/16.

First Financial Holdings, Inc. (First Federal Bank), Charleston, SC 2009 - 2013
Executive Vice President & Chief Credit Officer

- Built a credit risk management foundation enabling the company to convert from a thrift charter to a state chartered commercial bank and Federal Reserve member in February 2012.
- Established comprehensive Credit Policy and Underwriting Guidelines meeting all regulatory requirements as a basis for prudent lending with a conservative risk appetite.
- Developed ALLL methodology including quantitative and qualitative factors to address regulatory and audit requirements.
- Established processes to support the bank's vendor management and compliance programs as a part of the enterprise risk management program.
- Established a Special Assets Group staffed by internal and external candidates with active coordination with specialized FDIC Loss Share accounting unit.
- Led the credit team in 2011 distressed debt sale of \$202 million in contractual balances.
 - Reduced NPA ratio from 4.84% (3/31/11) to 1.43% (6/30/11) without significant post-debt sale credit quality deterioration.
 - Achieved \$20.8 million gain on sale from original credit mark to final bulk sale of distressed assets.
- Improved loan portfolio credit quality thereby supporting the successful sale of the bank to South State Bank in 7/26/13.

Crowe Horwath LLP, Grand Rapids, MI 2008 - 2009
Consultant

- Validated ALLL methodology for community bank clients ensuring compliance with accounting standards and interagency regulatory policy.
- Led an internal group in the construction of a commercial real estate, loan portfolio stress test model

enabling firm clients to understand the risk characteristics of their CRE exposures and comply with regulatory guidance.

- Delivered credit policy and underwriting guideline reviews and recommendations enabling clients to respond to or avoid regulatory criticism and improve the client's credit culture.

Fifth Third Bank, Grand Rapids, MI
Bancorp Regional Credit Officer

2004 - 2007

- Senior credit risk management executive responsible for ensuring the credit quality of a \$9.1 billion commercial and industrial loan portfolio of the three Michigan bank affiliates. Principal C & I credit approver of exposures outside the affiliate banks' approval authority.
- Led the Michigan affiliates' senior lenders and senior credit officers, formulated credit-underwriting guidelines for auto supplier sector. Sought and received approval of the Bancorp Credit Policy Committee for use of the guidelines throughout the company.

U. S. Bank, Cincinnati, OH
Senior Vice President/ Senior Credit Officer

1999 - 2004

- Provided transaction structuring advice and approval; oversaw internal credit quality processes.
- Established collaborative working relationship with Government Banking managers and lenders across the bank's 24 state footprint forging consistent credit risk management practices.
- Achieved highest internal audit/loan review credit process rating for large corporate portfolio.

National City Bank (and predecessors through mergers)
Executive Vice President National City Bank of PA, Pittsburgh, PA

1991 - 1998

- Implemented special integration assignments reporting to Chief Credit Officer and Vice Chairman.
- Led team of ten credit professionals in the design and successful implementation of dual signature, credit approval process, thereby decreasing average approval time by 50% and improving decision quality.
- Established rigorous problem asset review program, confirming asset valuation, and approving individual credit management strategies. Problem assets fell by over 50% over 3-year span.
- Joined a team of experienced externally sourced executives assembled to develop and implement turnaround of a troubled \$3.5 billion institution with NPAs in excess of 8.0%.
- Restructured credit policy, reduced credit administration support costs by 40 %, and implemented new loan approval processes for \$2.8 billion commercial loan portfolio.

MELLON BANK, N.A., Pittsburgh, PA

1974 - 1991

Senior Vice President

- Managed capital market product risks and approving risk limits for international bank counterparties.
- Led bank's business strategy in Europe, Middle East, and Africa from London Branch.
- Built and serviced a large corporate banking portfolio in the Midwest.

EDUCATION

MBA-Finance, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
BA-Economics, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

St. Alban's Anglican Chapel Society, Board Member and Treasurer, 2020 -2023

North Carolina Guardian Ad Litem, A Child's Advocate in Court (Henderson County) 2022 - Present



TOWN OF LAUREL PARK
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Title of Item: Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Representation

Presenter: Cara R. Reeves- Zoning Administrator

Attachment(s): Yes/**No**

Summary of Item: Laurel Park first adopted a Land Use Plan in 1988, with significant updates in 2005. A new Comprehensive Land Use Plan was most recently adopted in 2016 with a 10-year period of review. It is now time to update the plan with new census and community data. This plan serves as the cornerstone for long-range planning efforts including establishing a vision and goals for the future. It also provides policy statements to guide future development and land uses within the community. Town Council is looking for volunteers to be appointed to the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. The commitment would be no more than 1 meeting every other month not to exceed the next 18 months.

Suggested Action: Council requests Parks and Greenways Board make a recommendation for an individual to serve as representative for the Parks and Greenways Board on the new Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee.



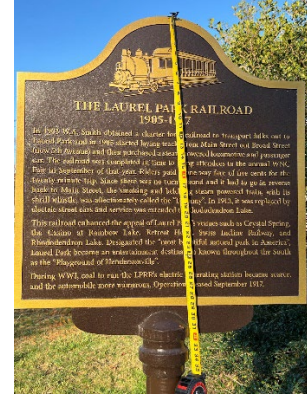
**TOWN OF LAUREL PARK
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Title of Item: Text Amendment for Signage

Presenter: Cara R. Reeves- Zoning Administrator

Attachment(s): Yes/No

Summary of Item:



The text amendment will include changes to UDO sections 7.8.3: Exclusions and 7.8.7: Signage Standards. Proposed language is as follows:

7.8.3: EXCLUSIONS: The following forms of signage shall not be subject to signage standards:
D: Building cornerstones, ~~historical plaques~~, or grave markers;
G: ~~Historic markers;~~

7.8.7: SIGNAGE STANDARDS

SIGN TYPE	ZONING DISTRICTS /1/			REQUIREMENTS			
	R-20/R-30	OI, MM, & I-1	TC	MAX. NUMBER PER SITE	MAX. SIZE	MAX. COPY HEIGHT (INCHES)	MAX. SIGN HEIGHT (FEET)
Historic plaques, historic markers	P	P	P	1 per road frontage	8 sf total	3	7
Trail marker, place of interest	P	P	P	1 per road frontage	4 sf total	3	3

NOTES:

/1/ P = Permitted, S = Special Use, X = Prohibited.

/3/ Applicant must show a specific need for this type of signage and how the design will be compatible with the architectural design of the structure.

Suggested Action: Staff requests Parks and Greenways Board review and comment for impacts on tree protection, parks, and greenways.