



ROANOKE
PARKS AND RECREATION

MILL MOUNTAIN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date:	8 July 2020	Location:	Zoom
Chair:	Dave Perry	Recorder:	Michael Clark
Call to Order:	4:00 p.m.	Adjourn:	5:00 p.m.

Section I - Attendees

Name	Position
Sissy Kegley	Board Member, Vice Chair
Whitney Feldmann	Board Member, Garden Club Representative
Ahondryea Brooks	Board Member
Jeff Todd	Board Member
Niki Voudren	Board Member, Zoo Representative
Michael Clark	Director
Matt Allenbaugh	Mill Mountain Supervisor

Section II - Standing Agenda Items

Item	Discussion
Call to Order - Dave Perry	Mr. Clark called the meeting to order.
Roll Call	Mr. Clark called roll.
Approved of Minutes (Action Required)	A motion made by Ms. Feldmann to approve the May 6, 2020 minutes. Ms. Kegley seconded the motion for the approval of the minutes and it passed by unanimous vote.
Public Comments	Michael Lawson, citizen, had no comments but was interested in listening to the meeting.
Member Comments	Mr. Clark advised there were no member comments.
Mill Mountain Supervisor Report	Mr. Allenbaugh reports that the Discovery Center remains closed. The majority of the part-time employees that were furloughed have been rehired. Mr. Allenbaugh states that there is limited programming, Mill Mountain will be utilized for a summer camp program in May and August. Mr. Allenbaugh reports that they are in the process of recruiting volunteers.
Mill Mountain Zoo Report	Ms. Voudren reports that a sick eagle had to be moved to the aviary and the birds in the aviary were also relocated in the meantime. Ms. Voudren reports that they have welcomed four bob white quail, the species has declined by 70% since 1960. They have also welcomed two American guinea hogs. The red wolf pack is acclimating very well. Ms. Voudren states that the black bear exhibit is almost done, they are adding in a pool and are working with the state to have the black bear transferred. Attendance from June-July has been over 3,500, guidelines are in place to maintain social distancing. Ms. Voudren states that the train is working but there is work being done on the railroad and on the roof for the train station. Ms. Voudren reports that they will then begin working on insulating night houses all over the zoo.
Mill Mountain Garden Report	Ms. Feldmann reports that they have resumed Thursday morning work. She states that they have hired someone to remove invasives and reorganize the garden space. Ms. Feldmann states that she would like to thank Laura Riley for picking up invasive plants. Ms. Feldmann reports that the pond restoration is behind schedule. The Bee City initiative is ongoing.

Section III – New Business Items

Item	Discussion
Election of Officers	Mr. Clark opens the floor for board chair nominations. Ms. Kegley nominated Dave Perry and Ms. Feldmann seconded the motion. Dave Perry was re-elected as Board Chair. Mr. Clark opens the floor for Vice-Chair nominations, Ms. Kegley was nominated, Ms. Kegley was re-elected as Vice-Chair.

Section IV – Old Business Items

Item	Discussion
Mill Mountain Trails Plan Update	Mr. Clark reports that there has not been much to update on the trails plan. Hopefully by the next meeting in September there will be a more concrete document.

Section V – Other Business Items

Item	Discussion
N/A	N/A

Section VI – Next Meeting

Title	Name	Position
Chair	David Perry	Board Chair
Recorder	Michael Clark	Director

Date	Time	Location
9 September 2020	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	TBD

