

**A RESOLUTION**

**TO CREATE THE GREENVILLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD AND PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT, QUALIFICATIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ADVISORY BOARD.**

**WHEREAS**, the Greenville County Recreation District Commission (the “Commission”) has served as the governing body of the Greenville County Recreation District (the “District”) from 1968 until 2013;

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Commission were appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of Greenville County Council and have faithfully served the citizens of the District by developing plans for services and facilities for the District and providing for financial programs to implement the plans; and

**WHEREAS**, now that the services provided by the District have been brought under county government, County Council desires to retain a commission to serve in an advisory capacity so as to continue the legacy of the former’s Commission’s service to the citizens of Greenville County and enhance the delivery of services by the Greenville County Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL** that:

**Section 1. The Advisory Board.** There is hereby created the Greenville County Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Advisory Board (the “Advisory Board”) consisting of seven (7) members, all of whom must be residents of Greenville County, South Carolina.

**Section 2. Qualifications.** Advisory Board members must have the following interests and knowledge:

- A. Interest in parks, recreation, and tourism and in the provision of a broad range of related services within Greenville County;
- B. Commitment to the vital role of parks, recreation, and tourism services in the quality of life for County residents and visitors; and
- C. Commitment to seek input from neighborhoods, organizations, and citizens and to apply this information to improve and enhance parks, recreation, and tourism services.

**Section 3. Purpose.** The Advisory Board shall serve as the citizen advisory board to Greenville County on policy matters relating to the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of facilities operated by the Greenville County Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (the “Department”). The Advisory Board shall advise on matters related to funding, programming, facility planning, and development of a strategic plan for the provision of parks, recreation, and tourism services in Greenville County. The Advisory Board shall serve as a liaison for County Council and the County Administrator to the citizens of the community, and shall work to promote parks, recreation, and tourism programs throughout the County.

**Section 4. Powers and Duties.** The Advisory Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. to conduct no fewer than four (4) meetings annually, such meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the general law of the State of South Carolina regarding meetings of public bodies;
- B. to review proposals and make recommendations to the County Administrator or his or her designee concerning the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of parks, recreation, and tourism facilities operated by the Department;
- C. to receive citizen input and staff input and make recommendations regarding facilities and programming to the County Administrator or his or her designee;
- D. to make recommendations, as appropriate, to the County Administrator or his or her designee for the adoption of rules and ordinances for the use of facilities operated by the Department;
- E. to support the mission of the Greater Greenville Parks Foundation and Camp Spearhead, Inc.;
- F. to consult annually with the County Administrator or his or her designee regarding the matters upon which the Advisory Board may make recommendations;
- G. to adopt bylaws and provide for the number and selection of officers of the Advisory Board; and
- H. to create such standing committees or temporary committees as is determined appropriate by the Advisory Board or its chairperson; and
- I. to keep records of all meetings.

**Section 5. Terms and Membership.** The terms of the members of the Board shall be for five (5) years and until their successors are appointed and qualify except that the first appointed members of the Advisory Board will be the individuals who last served as the commissioners of the former Greenville County Recreation District Commission who shall serve out the remainder of their unexpired terms with the exception of the term expiring on May 31,

2014 which shall be extended until May 31, 2015. The first members appointed to the Advisory Board shall be as follows:

1. John Liston (term expiring May 31, 2014 extended to expire on May 31, 2015)
2. Steve Johnson (term expiring May 31, 2015)
3. John B. Arrowood (term expiring May 31, 2015)
4. Jack Puckett (term expiring May 31, 2015)
5. David LeBlanc (term expiring May 31, 2016)
6. P. Scott Wigginton (term expiring May 31, 2017)
7. Joel Vanderwood (term expiring May 31, 2018)

Vacancies for unexpired terms shall be appointed by County Council pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Greenville County Council Policy for Board and Commission Appointments.

**Section 6. Board and Commission's Policy.** The Greenville County Council Policy for Board and Commission Appointments shall be amended to reflect the name change from the Greenville County Recreation District Commission to the Greenville County Parks, Recreation and Tourism Advisory Board.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

**DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.**

GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

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Bob Taylor, Chairman  
Greenville County Council

ATTEST:

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Theresa B. Kizer  
Clerk to Council

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Joseph M. Kernell  
County Administrator