

NHC Commissioners Meeting – October 16, 2017

New Hanover County Parks and Gardens receives 2017 Local Government Federal Credit Inion Excellence in Innovation Award for development of Skate Park at Ogden Park.

The regular meeting of the NHC Board of Commissioners was held at the Court House from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. All commissioners were present.

The consent agenda was approved which contained approval of Funding Opportunity with Cape Fear Habitat for Humanity. “The county will be helping to fund the extension of water and sewer service to Habitat’s new housing development,” said New Hanover County’s Community Development Planner Julia Moeller. “The Commissioners’ approval shows the county’s commitment to support workforce housing and affordable homeownership in our community.”

CFHFH plans to construct 27 energy-efficient homes along Daniel Boone Trail in the 6300 block of Gordon Road. As part of this project, main water and sewer lines will be extended to the property and road improvements will be made to Daniel Boone Trail, which is currently a dirt road without adequate turnaround space for emergency vehicles.

“We are grateful to the Commissioners for seeing this as an opportunity to further their investment in the county and in our homeowners, and for their commitment to affordable/workforce housing,” said CFHFH Executive Director Steve Spain. “Securing this funding means that we can begin construction in 2018 and then 27 families in our community will be able to purchase and move into their own affordable home in the years to come.”

Other items were annual reports from Airlie Garden Foundation, New Hanover County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and Parks Conservancy of New Hanover County, Inc.

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