

Town of Laurel Park

Parks and Greenway Board Regular Site Meeting Minutes September 23, 2025, 4:00 PM

Location: Town Hall, 441 White Pine Drive, Laurel Park, NC 28739

In attendance were:
Judy Lyons, Vice Chair/Acting Chair
Paula Baily, board member
Denise Layfield, board member
Todd Plessel, board member
Anne Waring, board member/secretary
Knox Crowell, board member
Bryan Hensley, Parks Technician
Robert Fain, Invasive Species Chair
Laurell Crowell, Invasive Species board member

Call to Order

Vice Chair Judy Lyons called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm on September 23, 2025

New Business

The purpose of the meeting was to figure out if the Parks and Greenway should plant trees or add some kind of boundary between the park and the Ecusta Trail.

- 1. Plant evergreen trees along the border. The trees should be 6 footers.
- 2. The other option would be to have a low fence constructed along the boundary. Similar to the fencing that is already in the park.
- 3. Or leave it as is.

Concerns:

- There was concern about being able to mow once the trees were planted.
- The over spray of herbicide by the county could harm the trees.
- The removal of silt in the creek, the heavy equipment will cause damage to any planting. Not sure when that will be done.

Judy will make calls to find estimates for fencing.

Denise will make calls to find prices for evergreen trees.

Motion made by Bailey that the Parks and Greenway Committee will produce some kind of edge that delineates the park land from the county land that will encourage traffic over the bridge and not cut through the park. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Additional business: Todd reported that he has cleared areas of Glen Park, Alta Circle, and Jump Off Rock.

Adjournment

Motion made by Bailey to adjourn at 4:43 pm.