

**RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2023  
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5 E. BUTLER ROAD  
3<sup>rd</sup> committee meeting**

Committee Members: Frank Allgood (Chair) and Michael Reynolds. Councilman Taft Matney was not present.

Others present: Recreation Director Bart Cumalander and City Administrator Seth Duncan.

**1. Call to Order-** Chairman Allgood

**2. Public Comment-** None

**3. Reading and Approval of Minutes**

a. Recreation Committee Meeting: September 5, 2023

**Motion:** Councilman Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes with Chairman Allgood seconding.

**Vote:** The vote was unanimous (2-0).

**4. Reports or Communications from City Officers**

a. Recreation Director Bart Cumalander  
Recreation League Safety

Baseball and softball seasons are finishing up.

The new Senior Center Coordinator is doing a good job.

There have been a few incidents with parents watching their kids playing and showing a lot of passion. The department is going to take some precautions to keep everyone safe. There are some videos that each parent will be asked to watch. The coaches will be specifically instructed on code at the game. The police department will be present at the games.

Councilman Reynolds asked if there was a set of rules that parents must follow. Mr. Cumalander said a code of conduct is given when a child signs up to play. Councilman Reynolds asked if there was a policy the department is looking to pass. Mr. Cumalander said he thinks the presence of the police and fire departments should be enough, so the department is not asking for a specific policy to be passed.

**5. Unfinished Business-** There is no unfinished business.

## 6. New Business

### a. Naming of Pedestrian Bridge

Based on a process approved by the Recreation Committee on August 7, 2023, the City of Mauldin sought public input on a name for the pedestrian bridge over I-385 through a press release, social media posts and website post. The City received a total of 2,111 submissions by the deadline of September 5 at noon (1,505 submissions came from the online form, 495 from social media and 111 by email). After removing duplicate names and names that were discriminatory, profane, vulgar, derogatory or sexual in nature, there were a total of 1,284 names to consider. A selection committee comprised of 7 members met to discuss the submissions and recommend 3 to 5 names to the Recreation Committee.

Staff recommends the following 5 names, in no particular order.

Mauldin SkyWay Bridge  
Mauldin Archway  
Mauldin Highway Overpass aka The Mauldin HOP  
Mauldin Gateway Bridge  
Mauldin's Palmetto Pathway

Councilman Reynolds and Chairman Allgood said they appreciated the process. Councilman Reynolds said he likes several of the choices but is not particularly fond of the Mauldin Archway.

Chairman Allgood said he likes Mauldin Gateway and likes the HOP, but not the fact that it is an abbreviation for highway overpass.

**Motion:** Councilman Reynolds made a motion to send this item to Council with Chairman Allgood seconding.

**Vote:** The vote was unanimous (2-0).

### 7. Public Comment- None

### 8. Committee Concerns- None

### 9. Adjournment- Chairman Allgood adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cindy Miller  
Municipal Clerk