



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 7.

DATE OF MEETING: May 20, 2013

REQUESTED BY: David Williams, Commissioner/ Dee Turner, Planner II

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Up-Grade of the Sports Lighting on Guine Field at Hampstead Kiwanis Park

BACKGROUND: In early 2009 Hampstead Kiwanis Park, Inc. contracted with a local electrician to install sports lighting on Guine Baseball/Softball Field at Hampstead Kiwanis Park. In preparing for a district baseball tournament that will be hosted by Topsail Ball Club at Hampstead Kiwanis Park in mid-July, the County became aware that the sports lighting on Guine Field is below standards, especially for tournament play for the 11-12 year olds, which is a safety hazard. To rectify this situation, new light poles need to be installed that are taller than the existing one. Existing light fixtures will be utilized and additional fixtures will be added to light the field to necessary standards. Topsail Ball Club has made a commitment to assist with this project financially. Pender County staff is actively seeking corporate donations to assist financially as well. Historically, the County has contributed matching funds for park projects when other privately raised funds have been committed for capital improvements; i.e., Hampstead Kiwanis Park, Inc., Burgaw Rotary Club, Burgaw Dixie Youth, etc. Parks and Recreation Capital fund 60-407400-6032; currently has \$246,550 available; \$162,545 has been committed to match the 2012 PARTF grant for Millers Pond Park and \$40,000 has been committed to match private funds for the new 300 foot field at Hampstead Kiwanis Park; which leaves a balance of \$44,005 within the Parks and Recreation Capital account.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution authorizing an up-grade of sports lighting on Guine Field at Hampstead Kiwanis Park.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.


Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the Board hereby authorizes an up-grade of sports lighting on Guine Field at Hampstead Kiwanis Park. The Chairman and/or County Manager is authorized to execute any/all agreements necessary to implement the resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS _____

YEA VOTES: Brown ___ McCoy ___ Tate ___ Ward ___ Williams ___

George R. Brown, Chairman 5/20/13
Date

ATTEST 5/20/13
Date