

RESOLUTION NO. 86-2

A RESOLUTION CREATING A RECREATION, PARK DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD, PROVIDING FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP, POWERS AND DUTIES, TERM AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF SAID COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Tennessee has passed an act recommending municipalities create a Recreation Advisory Board to assist in the operation and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, it is considered appropriate in the interest of providing excellent recreational facilities, which shall be prudently and effectively constructed and operated, and properly supervised and maintained, that an advisory board, consisting of five (5) residents of the City of Athens be created and that said board be entitled "The Athens Recreation, Park Development and Tourism Advisory Board."

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the City of Athens to establish "The Athens Recreation, Park Development and Tourism Advisory Board" to advise and inform the Director as he administers the City Parks and Recreation system in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. CREATION OF RECREATION, PARK DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

There is hereby created a Recreation, Park Development & Tourism Advisory Board in the City of Athens, Tennessee, the members of which shall be appointed by the Athens City Council and shall consist of five (5) members. Members appointed to the Advisory Board must be citizens and shall be residents of the City of Athens, Tennessee. No member of the governing authority of any tax supported entity shall be a member of the Advisory Board.

Section 2. TERMS AND QUALIFICATIONS

The Advisory Board shall be comprised of five (5) members elected by the City Council by majority vote. They shall serve for a period of four (4) years from the date of such election or until removed by majority vote of the City Council upon motion to remove one or all of said board members.

The foregoing provision shall become effective on July 1, 1986. Effective July 1, 1986, the appointments made to the Board shall expire on July 1, 1987; July 1, 1988; July 1, 1989; July 1, 1990, respectively. All appointments thereafter shall be for terms of four (4) years.

Section 3. TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

Such members shall hold their respective office from the first of July following their appointment. They shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years. Terms of membership shall expire June 30.

The Athens City Council shall with input from the Department Director, appoint new members to replace those whose terms are expiring. These appointments shall take place on or before the last meeting of the Athens City Council in the month of June. At the discretion of the Athens City Council, members may be reappointed.

Vacancies occasioned by removal, resignation or otherwise shall be reported to the Athens City Council and shall be filled in like manner as original appointments, except that the term of office is restricted to the unexpired term of office.

Section 4. OFFICERS: RULES AND POWER

The Advisory Board shall, immediately after the appointment of members, meet and organize by the election of one member as Chairman and one as Vice-Chairman. The Commission shall abide by such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be expedient, not inconsistent with this Resolution.

Section 5. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Advisory Board shall act in an advisory capacity only and shall have no authority to bind the City Council or City of Athens in any way except as the City Council may from time to time direct.

The Advisory Board shall, in concert, with the Department Director, develop and implement a broad and comprehensive recreation program for the City.

Attend all Advisory Board meetings, or, if absent, to give just and reasonable cause why absent, and to give notice to the Board Chairman and Director if known in advance that absence will be unavoidable.

Interpret the recreation and parks services of the Department to the community and interpret the needs and desires of the community to the Department.

Section 6. ANNUAL REPORTS

The Chairman of the Recreation, Park Development & Tourism Advisory Board and the Director shall prepare an annual report. Such reports shall be presented to the Athens City Council during the first Work Session in January.

Section 7. MEETINGS

The Advisory Board shall meet at the office of the Director of Recreation, Park Development & Tourism monthly, or at such time as the Board may consider proper and necessary. A record of the meetings shall be preserved in such minutes as the Board considers proper.

Section 8. COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS

The members of the Advisory Board shall serve without any remuneration whatsoever either in wages, salary or fees, but the City Council in its discretion may authorize the reimbursement of expenses of the members of the Board incurred in carrying on their required activities.

Section 9. COOPERATION WITH GOVERNING BODY

It is the purpose and intent of this Resolution to provide the residents of the City of Athens with suitable persons selected by the governing body of the City of Athens to advise in matters of recreation, park development & tourism; that there will exist a spirit of cooperation in bringing matters relating to recreation, park development & tourism to the attention of the governing body of the City of Athens to the end that all the residents of the City and the visitors to the City will be provided with excellent recreational facilities.

ON MOTION OF Councilman Perdue , SECONDED BY Vice-Mayor Moore ,
said Resolution was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED on this the 21st day of January,
1986.


WILLIAM R. BRAKEBILL, Mayor


MARVIN S. BOLINGER, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


KENNETH D. HIGGINS, City Attorney