

**Marshville Town Council
Special Meeting
1:00 P.M. Saturday, December 6, 2008
Marshville Town Hall
201 West Main St., Marshville, NC**

Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Gail Kiker, Council Members Ned Beachum, Dora Bridget, Margaret Bivens, and Denise Whitley, Town Administrator Carl Webber, Clerk/Finance Officer Shelley Maness, Park Director Alan Thifault. Mayor Franklin D. Deese was not present.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kiker opened the meeting at approximately 1:05 p.m. stating that purpose of the special meeting was to determine a name for the new recreation facility. PD Thifault presented a list of names submitted by local residents for Council's consideration. Council Member Bivens, who arrived at approximately 1:10 p.m., agreed with Council Member Whitley that the park should not be named after a person or family. Council Member Bridget disagreed and suggested that the park be named after Mr. Roacher Hasty, a local resident that had been very involved in the community and died at the age of 100. Council Member Bridget felt that it would be an honor to name the park after Mr. Hasty. Council Member Beachum concurred with Council Member Bridget, but also liked the name "Marshville Mini Park."

Council Member Bivens felt that the park should be named "Marshville East Municipal Park." Mayor Pro-Tem Kiker said she did not have a preference. PD Thifault suggested choosing a generic name to begin with so that it could be renamed later should an individual or organization make a significant donation to the park. Mr. John Edmondson of *The Home News* was in attendance and announced that the Rotary Club had discussed making such a donation and suggested the name "Rotary Park."

After further discussion, Council Member Beachum made a motion to name the park "Marshville Mini Park", seconded by Council Member Bridget. At the request of Council Member Bivens, Council Member Beachum amended his motion to name the park "East Marshville Mini Park." Council Member Bridget withdrew her second noting that it was confusing to refer to a park on the western side of town and west of the main park as "East" Marshville Mini Park. Council Member Beachum then withdrew his amendment and reverted back to his original motion to name the park "Marshville Mini Park". Council Member Bridget confirmed her second to that motion. Vote: All Ayes.

There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:20 p.m.

These minutes approved this ____ day of _____, 2009.

Franklin D. Deese
Mayor

Attest: _____
Shelley H. Maness
Town Clerk