

# FORSYTH COUNTY

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: APRIL 1, 2021

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 14

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, A PARKS AND RECREATION TRUST FUND DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO FUND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FIRST PHASE OF BELEWS LAKE PARK**

**COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:** Recommend Approval

### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The Forsyth County Parks & Recreation Department requests authorization to submit an application to the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, to apply for a Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) 2021 project development grant for Belews Lake Park. The funds will be used for the development and construction of phase 1 of Belews Lake Park. Work will include new road, parking, and utility infrastructure, a maintenance facility structure and maintenance yard, a public restroom, and a section of nature trail.

ATTACHMENTS:  YES  NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Dudley Watts Jr. /AMS*  
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: March 30, 2021

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NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION, DEPARTMENT OF  
NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT,  
IF AWARDED, A PARKS AND RECREATION TRUST FUND  
DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO FUND THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE FIRST PHASE OF BELEWS LAKE PARK  
(FORSYTH COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT)**

**WHEREAS** the Forsyth County Parks and Recreation Department currently has nine developed park locations and is seeking to develop the tenth, the new Belews Lake Park;

**WHEREAS** the Forsyth County Parks & Recreation Department administrative staff requests permission to apply to the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, for a Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) Development Grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 for development of Phase 1 section of Belews Lake Park and will be matched by County appropriated funds in the amount of \$2,200,000.00;

**WHEREAS** these grant funds will be used to support the development of the Belews Lake Park which is located in an underserved area of the County that was indentified in the 2015 Parks and Open Space Plan and the 2019 Parks and Open Space Plan Update;

**WHEREAS** the 2020 2/3rds Capital Projects Ordinance included funding in the amount of \$200,000.00 and the 2020 PayGo Capital Projects Ordinance included \$2,000,000.00 for the project; and

**WHEREAS** the Forsyth County Parks & Recreation Department will be able to provide the beginning phase of development of the Belews Lake Park with future phases of development planned;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the submission of a grant application to the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, and the Chairman or County Manager and the Clerk to the Board or their designees are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of Forsyth County and its Parks & Recreation Department, necessary documents to receive grant funds, if awarded, for a PARTF Development grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the development of Phase 1 of Belews Lake Park, subject to a pre-audit thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2021.