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29 January 2014

Davie County Board of Commissioners
123 South Main Street
Mocksville, NC 27028

RE: 2014 Budget Request For Security of Water Plant & Waste Treatment

Dear Commissioners:

In July 2010 RiverPark contract workers began performing security services of the water plant and wastewater treatment plant located in Cooleemee. Both locations are routinely patrolled 3 to 4 times a week. The park contract workers check to ensure the locks at the gates are secured after hours. Additionally, they confirm that anyone on the premises after hours are essential personnel and their presence is appropriate.

Utilizing the park contract workers provides a necessary service to the County by reducing or eliminating the need for county employees to patrol the plants. The park contract workers are in close proximity to both the Davie County Water Filter plant in Cooleemee and the Waste Treatment plant on the Rowan side on a daily basis and are aware of activities in the area. Local vandals are likely to target RiverPark as well as these nearby county facilities and there is a constant vigilance to catch and prosecute them. RiverPark workers are able to provide assistance at either location on a very short time frame if needed.

RiverPark is paid $5,000 a year for the security services at both plants. The contract workers provide a vital service that would otherwise be handled by county staff or contracted to another entity. The funds received for these services provide much needed assistance in covering the park operating costs including payments to our contract employees.

We appreciate your time and consideration of our request. The RiverPark Board and officers are available to address any questions or provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

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Board President
RiverPark at Cooleemee Falls

and additional security cameras. Additionally, through increased cooperation with the Cooleemee Police Department there are more daily patrols of the park. As a result of these efforts, park safety and security have improved, incidents of vandalism reduced and a family atmosphere now exists at the park.

All of our expenses are carefully monitored and the RiverPark Board regularly solicits in-kind donations and volunteer assistance to help offset the costs of maintaining the park. With average annual operating costs of $27,000, income averaging only $17,500 and a shrinking savings account, we know fundraising is a key component to balancing our budget. Our signature event, the Annual Catfish Fry, has consistently grown in popularity and profitability. It continues to be a successful event and a good opportunity to showcase the park. Over the summer, the 4th Annual Great Bullhole Duck Race was held. It generated a small profit and drew a big crowd to RiverPark for an afternoon of family fun. Plans are already in the works for an expanded Duck Race in the summer and the Catfish Fry in October.

We know RiverPark is a significant natural asset for our community. As the only public riverside park, we need to preserve and protect all that has been accomplished and continue to invest in its upkeep and expansion until all phases of the plan are completed. While there are many difficult decisions to be made in this upcoming budget year, the funding we receive from Davie County is essential to the ongoing operations of the park. The RiverPark Board respectfully requests the continued funding of $5,000 for park operations and upkeep and consideration of an additional $5,000 specifically for Phase II of the park development.

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RiverPark at Cooleemee Falls, Inc.
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2013

	Jan - Dec 13	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Cooleemee Contribution	2,500.00	2,500.00
Davie County Allocation	4,900.00	5,000.00
Donations	2,960.00	0.00
Events Income	11,937.59	12,600.00
Interest Income	1.19	10.00
Other Income	28.00	
Rowan County Contribution	2,565.00	2,500.00
Security Services -Davie Co	3,750.00	5,000.00
Shelter Rentals	330.00	350.00
Total Income	28,971.78	27,960.00
Expense		
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
Contracted Park Workers	9,340.50	14,542.75
Event Expenses	3,220.49	4,600.00
Insurance - D&O and Emp Prac.	829.00	850.00
Land Purchase	0.00	500.00
Maintenance	2,822.18	5,600.00
Miscellaneous	150.00	281.32
Office Supplies	51.82	50.00
Park Equipment	123.39	
Park Supplies	600.27	750.00
Postage	58.00	100.00
Security	607.09	1,680.00
Telephone Expense	432.77	420.00
Utilities	715.06	850.00
Total Expense	18,950.57	30,224.07
Net Ordinary Income	10,021.21	-2,264.07
Net Income	**10,021.21**	**-2,264.07**

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2014

	Jan - Dec 14	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Cooleemee Contribution	0.00	2,500.00
Davie County Allocation	0.00	4,900.00
Events Income	0.00	12,600.00
Rowan County Contribution	0.00	2,500.00
Security Services -Davie Co	0.00	5,000.00
Shelter Rentals	0.00	350.00
Total Income	0.00	27,850.00
Expense		
Contracted Park Workers	160.00	12,000.00
Event Expenses	0.00	4,000.00
Insurance - D&O and Emp Prac.	0.00	850.00
Land Purchase	0.00	500.00
Maintenance	0.00	5,600.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	250.00
Office Supplies	0.00	50.00
Park Equipment	0.00	200.00
Park Supplies	0.00	750.00
Postage	0.00	100.00
Security	0.00	1,500.00
Telephone Expense	30.42	450.00
Utilities	177.00	850.00
Total Expense	367.42	27,100.00
Net Ordinary Income	-367.42	750.00
Net Income	-367.42	750.00