



Recommendation for Naming of Park on Beaty Street

To: Davidson Board of Commissioners
From: Steedman Lyles, Chair, Livability Board
Date: July 9, 2019
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Based on the town's guidelines when naming parks to consider historic features, natural features, or geographic location, the Beaty Task Force Leadership Committee (Denise Beall, Dave Cable, Leah Chester-Davis, and Alice Sudduth) recommended the following list of four park names for consideration by the public via Open Town Hall. (To date the Beaty Street Property has been referred to as the Park at Beaty in keeping with the town's practice until the park is officially named by the Board of Commissioners.) The options presented on Open Town Hall were:

- **Beaty Park:** The property is well-known with the Beaty name and some folks call it by this name already. It signifies geographic location.
- **Heron Park:** Herons visit this park on a regular basis, particularly when the pond (the park's primary water feature) is full.
- **Perennial Park:** Refers to the perennial plants, perennial streams and everlasting nature of the park.
- **Preservation Park:** Refers to the park being preserved in perpetuity.

The overwhelming choice on Open Town Hall was Beaty Park, with over 78% of the vote. Some citizens expressed a desire for the park to be named Clontz Park, in honor of the family who sold the town land to the town.

At its June 18, 2019 meeting, the Livability Board voted unanimously to recommends to the Board of Commissioners that the park officially be named Beaty Park and be dedicated to the Clontz Family.