

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 280  
HOUSE BILL 464

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PILOT MOUNTAIN  
CIVIC AND RECREATION CENTER AUTHORITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is hereby created an authority to be known as the "Pilot Mountain Civic and Recreation Center Authority". The authority shall consist of five persons who qualify as adults living within Pilot, Westfield, South Westfield, Long Hill, Eldora, Siloam and Shoals Townships of Surry County or living within Big Creek, Quaker Gap and Yadkin Townships of Stokes County. The original five members of the authority shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pilot Mountain within a period of 90 days from the ratification of this act. At least two of the appointments shall be made from a list of five or more qualified nominees suggested in writing by the Pilot Mountain Foundation, Inc., within 60 days of the ratification of this act. The original appointees shall serve until December 31, 1986, or until their successors are appointed. Not later than November 30, 1986, and at the end of each two years thereafter, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pilot Mountain shall appoint or reappoint five members of the authority, at least two of which shall be selected from a list of five or more qualified nominees submitted in writing by the Pilot Mountain Foundation, Inc., not later than November 1 of such year.

Sec. 2. (a) Within 30 days after the appointment of all the members of said authority, the authority shall hold its first meeting at a place to be designated by the Pilot Mountain Board of Commissioners or the Pilot Mountain Town Manager. At this first meeting of the authority and at the first meeting of each succeeding newly appointed authority, the members of the authority shall elect a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary. The chairman and vice-chairman shall be members of the authority, but the secretary need not be a member of the authority. These officers shall perform the duties usually pertaining to such offices. Elections shall be for a period of one year, but officers may be reelected.

(b) In case of vacancies by resignation or death, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Pilot Mountain Board of Commissioners. If any vacancy shall exist for more than 60 days after notification of the vacancy in writing to the Town Manager or Mayor of the Town of Pilot Mountain, the remaining members of the authority may fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(c) The authority shall meet at such times and places as may be designated by its chairman. Meetings may also be called at such times and places as may be requested by any three members of the authority. The authority shall adopt such other

rules, regulations and bylaws governing the operation of the authority as it shall deem necessary subject to approval of the Town Board of Commissioners. Three members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. From and after its organizational meeting, the authority shall have the powers and duties herein provided, and as otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 3. The authority may:

(1) Secure by purchase, by gift or by lease from the Town of Pilot Mountain or the Pilot Mountain Foundation, Inc., or from any other source such lands and property in or near Pilot, Westfield, South Westfield, Long Hill, Eldora, Siloam and Shoals Townships of Surry County or in or near Big Creek, Quaker Gap and Yadkin Townships of Stokes County as may, in the judgment of the authority, be most desirable and practical for public recreation, civic and leisure time activities of the citizens and residents of said area.

(2) Construct, maintain or operate upon any property acquired by the authority, suitable facilities related to public recreation, or civic and leisure time activities, provided such construction, maintenance, or operation is not in conflict with the respective instruments under which the authority may have acquired its property rights.

(3) Charge reasonable and lawful fees for the use of its property or facilities by members of the general public.

(4) Lease or sublease to others, both governmental and nongovernmental, such lands or property rights as may be acquired by the authority upon such terms as the authority may deem advisable to promote recreation and leisure time activities of the citizens and residents of said area, provided said leases are lawful and not in conflict with the provisions of the respective instruments under which the authority acquired its property rights.

(5) Receive public and private appropriations, grants, gifts and bequests for the acquisition, maintenance and operation of its property and programs for the benefit of the citizens and residents of said area.

(6) Employ personnel and purchase supplies and equipment on a cash basis for the implementation and operation of its programs.

(7) Purchase insurance to protect it, and the owners of any property leased to it, against liability and losses.

(8) Enter into agreements with the State of North Carolina or the counties of Surry or Stokes or of agencies or departments thereof for joint use of property, facilities or equipment owned by the authority or by said governments or agencies.

Sec. 4. The Boards of Commissioners of Surry and Stokes Counties and the Town of Pilot Mountain may make appropriations and contributions to the authority for the purpose of helping defray the cost of acquiring, constructing, equipping or operating facilities for recreational, civic and leisure time activities.

Sec. 5. The travel and subsistence expenses incurred by members of the authority while on official business may be reimbursed by the authority.

Sec. 6. All revenues and funds received by the authority shall be applied to the purposes set out in this act.

Sec. 7. The authority shall forward to the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pilot Mountain the minutes of its meetings.

Sec. 8. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 30th day of May, 1985.