

**SEMINOLE COUNTY LEISURE SERVICES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 27, 2010 MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Bob Adolphe, Robert Bowden, Tom Boyko, Mark Brandenburg, Tim Donihi, Jeff Ebbers, Bob Goff, Mike Martin, Trish Walden and Barbara Whittier.

Members Absent: Wes Borgman, Earl McMullen, Don Nicholas, Ben Tucker and Mike Williams.

Staff: Joseph R. Abel, CPRP, Leisure Services Director
Bryan Nipe, Greenways & Natural Lands Manager
Julia Thompson, Parks & Recreation Manager
Kathi Clifford, Administrative Assistant

Guests: Keith Schue, Nature Conservancy

LOCATION: Softball Complex
264 W. North Street
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

TIME: Chairman Bob Goff called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There **is a quorum** in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Goff asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the **December minutes**. Tom Boyko made a **motion** to approve the minutes as presented, Robert Bowden seconded the motion. The minutes were **approved** unanimously.

County Commission Summary Report

- Tom Boyko distributed and reviewed a list of BCC agenda items that affected the Leisure Services Dept.
- Mr. Boyko requested Mr. Abel elaborate on the **restructuring of the Leisure Services Dept.** Mr. Abel advised that Leisure Services is now comprised of three new divisions; Library Services, Tourism Development and the Cooperative Extension Service. Discussion followed.
- Mr. Boyko requested Mr. Nipe give an overview of the discussion by the BCC regarding the Wekiva Parkway Trail Project. Mr. Nipe indicated that the BCC agreed to support a feasibility study by FDOT for an alternative trail route as part of the Wekiva Parkway Project.

Department Briefing/Update/Presentations

- **Leisure Services Budget**

**SEMINOLE COUNTY LEISURE SERVICES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 27, 2010 MEETING MINUTES**

- Joe Abel distributed literature regarding department budget comparisons between budget years 2007-2008, 2008- 2009 and year-to-date 2009-2010. The information was reviewed briefly. Discussion followed.

Sub-Committee Reports

- **Natural Lands Subcommittee**
 - Mark Brandenburg reported that the subcommittee's last meeting was held yesterday at **Lake Proctor Wilderness Area**. Mr. Brandenburg informed that the members are gathering information about natural land areas in other parts of central Florida. He also advised what kind of information is being gathered. The information will be compiled and presented at a later date.
- **Trails, Blueways and Bike Paths Subcommittee**
 - Bryan Nipe gave the report in Mike Williams' absence. The last meeting was with the **City of Altamonte Springs**. They had a good meeting and the City of Altamonte Springs will be following up with some information for the GIS maps. The next meeting will be with the City of Lake Mary.
- **Parks & Recreation Subcommittee**
 - Bob Goff reported that Leisure Services will be exploring applying for a CDBG grant to make **Winwood Park** a demonstration project.
 - Mr. Goff informed that Julia Thompson and Don Nicholas have met with **Seminole County school** principals regarding exploring cooperative opportunities for programming during non school hours. Idyllwilde Elementary and Milwee Middle School are very interested.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Purple Heart Designation for the Cross Seminole Trail Update**
 - Mr. Nipe informed that either he or Col. Ramsey will be presenting an overview of the proposed signage for Committee recommendations in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Election of Officers**

Mr. Goff informed that he received a call from Mike Williams asking if voting by proxy would be possible. It was determined that voting by proxy is not currently in the Leisure Services Advisory Committee rules therefore it would not be possible and that if someone wants to pursue this they can put something in writing to give to Kathi Clifford to include in an agenda.

Mark Brandenburg had volunteered to be Vice Chairman and Bob Goff volunteered to be Chairman. Mr. Goff requested other volunteers and/or nomination from the floor. There were none.

Slate of Officers: **Bob Goff, Chairman**
 Mark Brandenburg, Vice Chairman

Robert Bowden made a motion to accept the slate by acclimation. Tim Donihi seconded the motion. The **motion passed** unanimously.

**SEMINOLE COUNTY LEISURE SERVICES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 27, 2010 MEETING MINUTES**

- **Keith Schue from the Nature Conservancy** presented the concept for the **Wekiva Parkway** – a widening of State Road 46 with more wildlife corridors that are considerably wider than those currently available. Pros and cons for pedestrian options were reviewed.

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Mr. Goff wanted to know if the Committee members are interested in having a representative from the State Legislature come and clarify the State's interpretation of issues such as inner city trails in order to try to obtain some funding. It was decided that this might not be the best time since there are several of the representatives in the Seminole County area are term limited.
- Mr. Goff asked if there are any other topics. There are none.

Mr. Goff adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.