

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 25, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Bob Adolphe, Wes Borgman, Tom Boyko, Mark Brandenburg, Jeff Ebbers, Bryan Kirby, Mike Martin, Bob Steenson, Trish Walden, Barbara Whittier and Mike Williams.

Members Absent: Bob Goff and Don Nicholas.

Staff Present: Julia Thompson, Parks & Recreation Manager
Bryan Nipe, Greenways & Natural Lands Manager
Cindy Harkins, Red Bug Lake Park Supervisor
TK Kelly, Sanlando Park & Softball Complex Supervisor
Cathleen Daus, Sylvan Lake Park Supervisor
Kathi Clifford, Administrative Assistant

Guests: Andy McFarland, Linda Curtis, Shelley Licorish, & Amy McCully from the USTA.
Scott Ohmstede, Citizen

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

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

Opening Ceremonies: The Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Brandenburg asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the **April minutes**. Tom Boyko made a **motion** to approve the April minutes as presented, Trish Walden seconded the motion. The minutes were **approved** unanimously.

Guest Presentation

- Mr. Brandenburg requested Ms. Thompson introduce the guest speaker. Ms. Thompson first introduced her park supervisors.
- Ms. Thompson introduced Linda Curtis who introduced her USTA team. Mr. McFarland showed a couple of videos regarding the 10 & Under Tennis program. Ms. Curtis spoke further about the 10 & Under Tennis initiative then requested Cindy Harkins address the Seminole County 10 & Under Tennis program. Much discussion followed. A PowerPoint presentation regarding 10 & Under Tennis was also shown.

County Commission Summary Report

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- Mr. Boyko informed that on May 10th the BCC: 1) approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution to appropriate \$1,000 for Parks & Recreation signs. 2) approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a budget change request to reallocate \$21,000 to be used for other marketing efforts and 3) approved and authorized the Chairman to execute an agreement with the Florida Amateur Association in the amount of \$8,494.
- Ms. Thompson informed that there were two consent agenda items addressed this past Tuesday, May 24th: 1) a contract for a tennis event and 2) approve a 'Pirates' exhibit for the Museum. Discussion followed.

Department Briefing/Update/Presentations

- Mr. Nipe informed that Wilson's Landing Park is in the final completion stage.
- Mr. Nipe said people are signing their children up for Eco Camp at the Geneva Wilderness Area.

Sub-Committee Reports

- **Natural Lands Subcommittee**
 - Mr. Brandenburg informed that at the last meeting they re-reviewed the list of properties they had reviewed last year. Discussion followed.
- **Trails, Blueways and Bike Paths Subcommittee**
 - Mr. Williams advised that the Trails Summit was in May at the City of Sanford. He reviewed the minutes from that meeting and informed that the cities of Longwood and Oviedo are moving forward regarding their trails.
 - Dr. Borgman requested an education element on the trails regarding pedestrian safety. It was agreed that this would be a future topic of discussion.
- **Parks & Recreation Subcommittee**
 - In Mr. Goff's absence Ms. Thompson reported that they had their first Joint City/County workshop with the City of Winter Springs. It went well. The meeting next month will be with the City of Oviedo.
- **501c3 Foundation Subcommittee**
 - Ms. Whittier said they are working on the fourth version of the Concept Package. It is going well and she hopes to be able to present more at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Environmental Studies Center** – Mr. Nipe advised the members that there was a meeting Between Joe Abel , DeeDee Schaffner and Pat Burkett regarding a possible partnership with the schools. Joe provided information on Seminole County Programs and discussed partnership opportunities. Ms. Schaffner stated that she will be bringing these ideas to the next School Board meeting. Mr. Brandenburg concurred that the facility is under utilized and he supports a partnership. Discussion followed.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **Homework** – tabled to next meeting.

Mr. Brandenburg adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.