

**SEMINOLE COUNTY  
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
December 14, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members Present:** Bob Adolphe, Tom Boyko, Mark Brandenburg, Jeff Ebbers, Bob Goff, Bryan Kirby, Mike Martin, Don Nicholas, Emilio Perez, Bob Steenson, Trish Walden, and Barbara Whittier.

**Members Absent:** Wes Borgman, Ben Tucker and Mike Williams.

**Staff Present:** Joe Abel, Leisure Services Director  
Bryan Nipe, Greenways & Natural Lands Manager  
Kathi Clifford, Administrative Assistant

**Guests:** Herb Hiller

**LOCATION:** Softball Complex  
2200 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 **November minutes**. Tom Boyko made a **motion to approve** the November minutes as submitted, Trish Walden seconded the motion. The motion **passed** unanimously.

Bryan Nipe introduced Herb Hiller. Mr. Hiller explained how he came to be involved in the **River to Sea Loop Trail**. The trail encompasses five counties; St. Johns, Putnam, Flagler, Volusia and Brevard. Much discussion followed. Mr. Brandenburg suggested Seminole could connect with a loop around Lake Monroe. Bob Goff made a **motion** that the Parks & Preservation Advisory Committee develop a letter of support for planning a connecting trail to the River to the Sea Loop Trail. Tom Boyko seconded the motion. The motion **passed** unanimously.

**County Commission Summary Report**

- Mr. Boyko reported that the December 13<sup>th</sup> BCC meeting had a couple of items relating to Parks and Greenways:
  - A resolution to implement a budget amendment to a \$400,000 grant to appropriate \$200,000 from DEP Land & Water Conservation grant funding and return \$200,000 to Natural Lands/Trails Fund reserves was approved.

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- An agreement with Florida Half Century Amateur Softball Association in the amount of \$10,077 for the 2012 Florida Half Century Senior State Softball Tournaments was approved.
  - A Memorandum of Understanding with Florida Fish and Wildlife regarding a Florida Youth Conservation Project for a youth center at the Boar's Head property was approved.
- Bryan Nipe reported that the BCC approved negotiation for the design of three Natural Lands projects by Miller Legg; Black Bear W.A., Geneva W.A. and Lake Harney W.A.

**Sub-Committee Reports**

- **Natural Lands Subcommittee**
  - Mr. Brandenburg reported that the Subcommittee reviewed and ranked the Kuhnhausen property. The ranking came in low and they will not be recommending it.
  - They also determined that no change is necessary to the ranking criteria.
- **Trails, Blueways and Bike Paths Subcommittee**
  - Mr. Nipe reported that the Subcommittee did not meet in December and that he will be emailing updates to the entire Committee.
- **Parks & Recreation Subcommittee**
  - Mr. Goff reported that they met with the City of Casselberry. Casselberry has been able to accomplish a lot with a very small staff. Discussion followed.
- **501c3 Foundation Subcommittee**
  - Ms. Whittier reported that she has provided County Attorney Bryant Applegate with the Foundation documents to review and make recommendations. She further reported that she has a couple of potential candidates for the PPAC to possibly interview. Bob Steenson reported that he was given names of a couple attorneys to talk to. Commissioner Carey requested that the BCC be kept informed so they can make recommendations for directors.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Recap Of Meeting With BCC**
  - Mr. Brandenburg reported that seven members of the PPAC attended the meeting with the BCC. Mr. Brandenburg said the meeting went well. They reviewed the goals they had set.
- **Looking Ahead To 2012**
  - Tabled to another meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Master Plan Draft Review**
  - Tabled to another meeting.
- **Marketing Plan**
  - Mr. Perez requested to see the results of the Marketing Plan.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- **Homework**
  - Tabled to January.

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