

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
PARKS AND PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TRAILS, BLUEWAYS AND BIKE PATHS SUBCOMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING September 11, 2013**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Bob Goff, Tom Boyko, Bryan Kirby, Mike Martin and Barbara Whittier

Members Absent: Chuck Drago and John May

Staff Present: Grant Wenrick, Trails and Parks Coordinator
David Martin, Supervisor Seminole County Engineering

Guests: Deputy Sheriff Pete Brewer, Seminole County Sheriff Office

LOCATION: Softball Complex
2200 North Street
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

TIME: 7:30 a.m.

Guest Presentation / Blueways Discussion

- Deputy Sheriff Pete Brewer, SCSO – Gave update that Econ River GPS coordinates are on Wikiloc website. Consensus was to get this information on the Seminole website. The Committee recommended looking at Lake County Blueways website and incorporate similar information onto the Seminole County Website. Staff replied that they would investigate the possibility.
 - Defined Blueways discussed: St. Johns River, Econ. River, Lake Jesup, Casselberry, Wekiva and Rock Springs. It was noted that Casselberry and Wekiva / Rock Springs are in different jurisdictions but flow into Seminole County. Potential here to provide link to their websites.
 - Committee consensus was to establish blueway markers every ½ mile. Sheriff's office desires to. Staff will need to investigate an execution strategy. Particularly important in tall grass / vegetated areas.
 - Mr. Goff stated to include / depict parks, public amenities along routes.
 - Deputy Sheriff Brewer – note routes where paddle watercraft are only allowable vessels.
 - Mr. Kirby – Show better the distances between certain points for both blueways and trail systems. Show GPS on maps for blueways and note where to access.
 - Committee wants to list private access to blueways such as King's Landing and Wekiva Island. May make sense to show link on website.
 - Mr. Martin – some smaller blueways need cleanup to make more passable such as Little Wekiva.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Wayside Park** – Ms. Whittier recommended that aesthetic improvements be made at Wayside Park.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Boyko – Can more grant money be found to improve / expand trails / blueways?
- Bike Repair Stations – Group discussion about placing signs on trail showing where people can get bikes repaired.
- Trail Advertising discussed – Group asked what would be policy for private business to advertise on trail? Some leased parcels would have to review any advertising sign proposals. Keep signs aesthetic if / where allowed.
- Subcommittee – All signed a letter asking that money from a transportation referendum be utilized for multimodal transportation such as trails and other vital pedestrian and non-motorized connectivity in the County. The letter is being sent to all commissioners and the County Manager.
- 501c3 – Discussion ensued regarding purpose of 501c3. County staff stated that any assistance the county can receive for the public good is welcome. It was noted that some corporate support could be available for funding of the 501c3 organization.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **None.**

Mr. Goff adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.