

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 24, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Tom Boyko, Jim Buck, Jeff Ebbers, Ed Ghiglieri, Don Nicholas, Lee Ricci, Barbara Whittier and David Williamson.

Members Absent: Robert Bowden, Matt Criswell, Bill James, Mike Martin, John May and Bob Steenson.

Staff Present: Joseph R. Abel, Leisure Services Director
Richard Durr, Greenways & Natural Lands Manager
Shorty Robbins, Parks & Recreation Manager
Kathi Clifford, Administrative Assistant

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Mr. Nicholas introduced a new member to the Committee, Lee Ricci. She gave a brief bio of herself.
- Mr. Nicholas had Mr. Abel introduce the new Parks & Recreation Manager, Shorty Robbins, who then gave a brief bio of herself.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Nicholas asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the August minutes. Tom Boyko made a motion that they be approved as submitted. Jeff Ebbers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COUNTY COMMISSION SUMMARY REPORT:

- Mr. Boyko reported on the recent Board of County Commission meetings as they pertained to the Leisure Services Parks and Preservation. Discussion followed.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Natural Lands Subcommittee Report:

- Ms. Whittier reported that the Commissioners will be meeting about the Youth Conservation Center on October 28th.
- Mr. Durr reviewed the status of the projects in the Black Bear, Geneva Wilderness and Lake Proctor Wilderness Areas.

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- Ms. Whittier reported that the Friends Foundation may be interested in buying equipment for Ed Yarborough Nature Center.
- Ms. Whittier reported that the test chickens at Geneva Wilderness area have tested positive for West Nile Virus and the night hikes have been cancelled.

Trails Subcommittee Report:

- Deputy Brewer is not present. No Report.

Parks Subcommittee Report:

- Mr. Nicholas reported that the subcommittee met this month at which time they met Shorty Robbins and covered much ground with her. The next meeting will be October 29th at 7:30 a.m. at Red Bug Lake Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Abel gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Leisure Services Budget and CIP. Discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

OTHER BUSINESS:

- None.

There was no other business. Mr. Nicholas adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.