

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 22, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Tom Boyko, Robert Bowden, Jim Buck, Matt Criswell, Jeff Ebbers, Ed Ghiglieri, Mike Martin, Lee Ricci, Bob Steenson and Barbara Whittier.

Members Absent: Bill James, John May, David Williamson and Don Nicholas.

Guests: Mark and Courtney Smith

Staff Present: 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: In the absence of Chairman Don Nicholas Vice Chairman Tom Boyko called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There is a quorum in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Mr. Boyko introduced the guests. Courtney Smith is doing a research paper for a Seminole State College class.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Boyko asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the September minutes. Mr. Criswell requested a correction to reflect that he did not attend last month's meeting and made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. 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.
- Mr. Durr gave feedback regarding Boar's Nest and the Sports Complex properties.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Natural Lands Subcommittee Report:

- Ms. Whittier reported that the next meeting will be on October 28th at the Ed Yarborough Nature Center then there will be a field trip to Lake Proctor WA.

Trails Subcommittee Report:

- Deputy Brewer reported that 3 dog waste stations have been sponsored and installed with another 5 stations possible but sponsors are needed.

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- Deputy Brewer reported that there is an Eagle Scout bench project at Kewannee Park.
- Engineering reported at the last meeting that the Seminole County portion of the Coast to Coast Trail is 90% complete.
- Deputy Brewer wanted to know if information from the people counter can be provided to law enforcement. Discussion followed.
- Liability on the mountain bike trail was discussed.

Parks Subcommittee Report:

- Mr. Boyko reported that the next meeting will be on October 29th. He then asked Ms. Robbins to report on the status of the active parks.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Membership Advocacy – Mr. Martin gave a current status.
- Website Advocacy – Ms. Robbins reported that staff has reviewed not only the County website but other sites as well that the County park information appears on and a lot of discrepancies have been cleared up. Deputy Brewer requested that blueways information be reflected on the website.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Mr. Boyko requested Mr. Steenson give an update of the **Foundation**.
- Ms. Robbins reported that the **FRDAP grant** cycle is currently open to match funds up to \$200,000. The Boating Improvement Program has funds available to match the FRDAP funds and staff will be submitting a grant request for improvements to Lake Monroe Wayside Park.
- Ms. Robbins also reported that the **Museum** will be open next Thursday evening for a special Paranormal Tour in the basement.

There was no other business. Mr. Boyko adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.