

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 28, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Tom Boyko, Jim Buck, Matt Criswell, Susie Dolan, Jeff Ebbers, Ed Ghiglieri, Lee Ricci, Barbara Whittier, and David Williamson.

Members Absent: Robert Bowden, Bill James, Mike Martin, John May, and Robert Simmons.

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: 2014 Vice Chairman Tom Boyko called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There is a quorum in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ELECTION OF 2015 OFFICERS

- Mr. Boyko asked for nominations for **Chairman**. Ed Ghiglieri nominated and made a **motion** for Tom Boyko to be Chairman. Mr. Boyko accepted the nomination. Barbara Whittier seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. The motion **passed** unanimously.
- Mr. Boyko asked for nominations for **Vice Chairman**. Barbara Whittier nominated David Williams. Mr. Williams declined. Tom Boyko nominated and made a **motion** for Ed Ghiglieri to be Vice Chairman. Mr. Ghiglieri accepted. Jeff Ebbers seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. The motion **passed** unanimously.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Mr. Boyko recognized new member Susie Dolan who briefly told her background.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Boyko asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the December minutes. Matt Criswell made a motion to accept the **December minutes**. Lee Ricci 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 and Ms. Robbins gave follow up information as necessary.

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SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Natural Lands Subcommittee Report:

- Ms. Whittier reported that the Subcommittee met at and toured Econ River Wilderness Area this morning. Comm. Horan attended the subcommittee meeting. They also toured Lake Harney W. A. Canoe launch feasibility was discussed regarding both locations. Much discussion followed.

There was discussion about the current status of the **501c3 Foundation**.

Trails Subcommittee Report:

- Deputy Brewer reported that they had a very interesting guest speaker, Virginia Oros with the DEP.
- Geo caching and Geo Tours were discussed.

Parks Subcommittee Report:

- Mr. Boyko asked Ms. Robbins to give the report. Ms. Robbins reported that the Subcommittee met at Sylvan Lake Park and had a tour of the park. She also reported that the new playground for Red Bug Lake Park has been postponed until May. The next meeting will be March 4th at Soldiers Creek Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The new penny tax was discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Membership Responsibility** – tabled until next meeting.
- **Lake Jesup Boardwalk** – Mr. Durr advised that the grant had to be postponed and why. Discussion followed. He will bring the pictures to another meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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There was no other business. Mr. Boyko adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.