

**SEMINOLE COUNTY  
PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
August 26, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members Present:** Robert Bowden, Tom Boyko, Jim Buck, Matt Criswell, Jeff Ebbers, Ed Ghiglieri, Barbara Whittier and David Williamson.

**Members Absent:** Mark Brandenburg, Susie Dolan, Mike Martin, David Moss, Lee Ricci, Jim Vickaryous and Jay Zembower.

**Guests:** Deputy Pete Brewer, SCSO

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

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

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Boyko asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the June minutes. Robert Bowden made a motion to accept the **June minutes** as presented. Matt Criswell 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, Ms. Robbins and Mr. Abel followed up as necessary.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Natural Lands** Subcommittee Report:

- Ms. Whittier reported they did not meet in July or August.
- She reviewed the needs at the Environmental Studies Center and that the facility should be open to the public.
- She announced that this year is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Natural Lands program.
- The next meeting will be held September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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**Trails** Subcommittee Report:

- Deputy Brewer reported they did not meet in July or August.
- He informed that since the last meeting he has hosted two Econ River clean ups.
- The next meeting will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Softball Complex at 7:30 a.m.

**Parks** Subcommittee Report:

- Mr. Criswell reported that the Subcommittee met July 8<sup>th</sup> at Sylvan Lake Park.
- The Subcommittee has been requested to run particulars on canoe and kayak rentals to be operated by a vendor.
- The next meeting will be September 16<sup>th</sup> at Red Bug Lake Park at 7:30 a.m.
- Ms. Robbins reported that the opening of the playground donated by Dominica Recreation Products at Red Bug Lake Park will be held Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Public access to **Lake Howell** in Casselberry was discussed at length.
- The 2015-2016 **Budget** was reviewed by Mr. Abel. Discussion followed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Construction Updates** – Mr. Durr gave a review of the status of the 2014 -2015 construction projects for Park, Greenways and Natural Lands. Discussion followed.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- None

Mr. Boyko adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.