

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
SOUTH AREA ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
June 17, 2002

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department South Area Advisory Board was held on Monday, June 17, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at 51 S. Nieman Avenue, Melbourne, FL.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brian Hurley, Chairman
Mary Ann Kise, Vice Chairman
Jerry Jagrowski
John Corelli
Ted Whitlock
Robin Tibbits

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Goelz
Juan Marrero
Sara Love

STAFF ATTENDING

Karen Palus, South Area Parks Operations Manager
Barry Portnowitz, Recreation Superintendent
Jeff Whitehead, Parks Maintenance Superintendent
Bill Ross, Construction Coordinator
Tina Webster, Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC

Jim Rosasco
Al Genchi
Bob Kush
Roy Holbeck
David Perley
Dave Katz

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hurley called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Kise made a **MOTION** to accept the minutes as presented. Ms. Tibbits seconded the motion. Mr. Whitlock had changes which included the word by under new business should have been be and Advisory needed to be in front of Board. Ms. Kise amended her motion to include the changes. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Whitehead informed the committee that the Little League tournaments at Rodes Park and Flutie Park were a success and many comments were made about the County hosting all of the future tournaments.

Mr. Portnowitz spoke regarding the 5k run for Space Coast Early Intervention stating that it was a successful event Summer camp programs are going great.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Palus went over the Brevard Zoo Linear Park project with the committee and informed them that the Brevard Zoo Linear Park committee had approved their plan with some conditions. Mr. Whitlock made a **MOTION** to approve the plan and Mr. Corelli seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Mr. Whitlock asked Ms. Palus if the South Area would have a pool. She replied that yes, the pool project is moving forward and is only about one month behind schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Palus informed the Board that the Ponce Landing Referendum Committee would like to recommend the naming of Ponce Landing to Juan Ponce De Leon Landing. Sam Lopez made a presentation to the committee in which they voted to recommend the new naming to the South Area Advisory Board. Mr. Corelli made a **MOTION** to approve the recommendation to go to the Board of County Commissioners for approval and Mr. Jagrowski seconded. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Ms. Palus informed the Board that the racquetball courts at the Hoover Athletic Complex were in bad condition. Mr. Portnowitz provided the Board with a PowerPoint presentation to show them the condition of the existing courts and asked that the courts be demolished and replaced with a three wall. Mr. Whitlock made a **MOTION** to demolish the existing four wall courts and replace them with a three wall. Mr. Corelli seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Ms. Palus informed the Board that the Viera Little League made a presentation to the Viera Regional Park Committee asking for funds from the Referendum Project to be utilized to fund the lighting of three ball fields at Suntree Elementary School with the condition that funds would be replaced through grants to provide the lighting of the fields through the Viera Regional Park Referendum project. Because this will be serving the same citizens, the Viera Regional Park Committee approved the request to recommend to the South Area Advisory Board. Mr. Kush explained the need of lighting the three fields due to scheduling issues and the ability to have tournaments etc. Ms. Kise made a **MOTION** to approve the funding request of the lighting for Viera Little League and Mr. Corelli seconded. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Mr. Whitlock spoke regarding a presentation from Jeff Berger and the continued correspondence being received by him. He asked if the items that have been received have been provided to the County Attorney and Ms. Palus replied yes. Mr. Hurley stated that the Board is covered by the County Attorney for their actions as a member during the meetings. Mr. Corelli mentioned that he feels Mr. Berger is going after the County and not the South Area Advisory Board. Ms. Palus informed the Advisory Board that the South Beach Committee did approve their plan at the last meeting but would like to meet again to discuss the cost estimates and prioritize some elements prior to bringing the plan to the South Area Advisory Board.

Mr. Whitlock also provided some news articles for the record. He also mentioned that the FRPA Conference has a class regarding Citizen Committees and Board members. Ms. Palus mentioned that she would be glad to assist anyone interested in attending by providing the paperwork and schedule. Mr. Whitlock mentioned that he would like to attend.

Mr. Corelli informed the Advisory Board that he responded friendly to Mr. Berger expressing his desire to be removed from his e-mail list telling him that he does not wish to receive any further correspondence.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to discuss. Mr. Whitlock made a **MOTION** to adjourn and Mr. Corelli seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.** The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 15, 2002.