

**PALM BAY REGIONAL PARK CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
September 27, 2001**

A regular meeting of the Palm Bay Regional Park Citizens Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, September 27, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. at the Palm Bay Community Center, Meeting Room A, 1502 Port Malabar Blvd, Palm Bay, FL.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Ted Whitlock
Jim Hinchman
Dee Scavelli
Dudley Anderson
Eduardo Torres
Zester Taylor, PAL
Mike Consumano, City of Palm Bay, Parks & Recreation

MEMBERS ABSENT

Janet Laimont
Juan Marrero

STAFF

Jack Masson, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director
Karen Palus, South Area Parks Operations Manager
Bill Ross, Parks and Recreation Construction
Rick Schuh, Park Supervisor I
Liz Mangine, Secretary

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Bino Campanini, Stottler Stagg and Associates
Andy Kirbach, Stottler Stagg and Associates
Bill Dillard, Indian River Dog Training Club
Art Fettrow, Indian River Dog Training Club

Meeting Call to Order

Mr. Whitlock called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Approval of minutes (8/23/01)

Ms. Scavelli made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Hinchman seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Staff Reports

Ms. Palus noted that at the last meeting she stated that a quorum must be present to conduct business. However, that has been changed due to keeping the project moving at this time. The committee will conduct business whether a quorum is present or not.

Ms. Palus noted that the BMX or Equestrian groups have made no commitment. There is someone interested with the Boy Scouts, however it is not the same individual who originally was selected.

Ms. Palus asked the committee to discuss the goals/objectives, challenges, and positive impact of this project. The results are noted below:

Goals/Objectives:

- Community Center/Gymnasium
- Roadway/drainage/additional access to park
- Utilities
- Picnic areas
- Multi-use fields
- Public awareness
- Baseball/softball
- Soccer expansion/2 fields/repair drainage issues
- Emergency access to fields from entrance road
- Pavilions
- Security/appropriate lighting

- Caretaker
- 4-bay maintenance/compost area
- Adequate paved parking
- ADA accessibility
- Pedway/walking/exercise trails
- Paved hill for soapbox derby
- Amphitheater
- Dog Park
- Adequate spectators areas with shade
- Tennis/bad mitten

Challenges:

- Budget Constraints
- Water/Utilities/Sewer
- Priorities-Consensus
- Deadlines
- Permitting
- Fill/Dirt/Grading/Elevations
- Accessibility/Roadways
- Beltway
- Security
- Growth
- Hotel accommodations
- Traffic control

- Minimize impact to current users
- Wholesome family activity
- Improve property value
- Sense of community pride
- New ideas and activities
- Signature facility in Palm Bay
- Physical welfare of community
- Community meeting area
- Commercial growth
- Positive environmental impact

Positive Impact of Project:

- Economical impact

The A&E Firm along with the committee spoke on issues regarding drainage, permitting, parking, swell and retention ponds, dog park, skate park, layout of roads, emergency access, marquee, etc.

New Business

Mr. Whitlock reminded members to provide letters to the Commissioner to be re-appointed to the Palm Bay Regional Park Committee. The current terms expire in December.

Public Input

Occurred during the meeting.

Adjournment

There was no further business to discuss. Mr. Hinchman made a **MOTION** to adjourn and Ms. Scavelli seconded. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.** The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2001.