



SOUTH AREA PARKS AND RECREATION Palm Bay Regional Park Citizens Advisory Committee

REGULAR MEETING January 22, 2009

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department, Palm Bay Regional Park Citizens Advisory Committee, was conducted on Thursday, January 22, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Palm Bay Community Center, 1502 Port Malabar Boulevard NE, in Palm Bay.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ted Whitlock, Chairman
Dudley Anderson
Joe Fazekas
Clifford Barber, Jr.
Keith Farquharson
Barry Morin

MEMBERS ABSENT

Orlando Gatell Jr.
Keiron Jackman

STAFF PRESENT

Greg Minor, South Area Operations Manager
Rick Schuh, Park Supervisor, Palm Bay Regional Park
Gustavo Vergara, South Area Special Projects Coordinator
Mechelle Cook, Administrative Secretary

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Wayne Savage, BCASCA
Maria Samuels, BCASCA

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Whitlock called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Mrs. Cook called the roll with six members present and two members absent. Mr. Whitlock confirmed that quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee members were previously provided with an e-mail copy of the minutes from the November 20, 2008, meeting for review. Mr. Fazekas made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes, Mr. Farquharson **SECONDED, UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Minor stated that January had been a very busy month. He stated that interviews were completed for the Ted Whitlock Community Center, Wickham Park Senior Center and for a new Recreation Superintendent. Mr. Minor then introduced Mr. Gustavo Vergara as the new South Area Operations Recreation Superintendent. All committee members offered congratulations to Mr. Vergara on his promotion.

Mr. Minor stated that the Grand Opening of the Judge Alli B. Majeed Cricket Pavilion was held in December and that attendance was good and the event was a success. Mr. Minor stated that he had already attended approximately three budget meetings and that staff would be expecting a minimum of 10% cuts in the new budget.

Mr. Vergara stated that Mr. Troy Cox had brought several softball leagues, flag football, baseball, and senior leagues to Palm Bay Regional Park. Mr. Schuh read his monthly Accomplishments and Events report and provided each member with a copy. Mr. Whitlock stated that the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Grand Opening for the Judge Alli B. Majeed Cricket Pavilion went very well and thanked the Parks and Recreation staff for their hard work and participation to make the event such a success.

Mr. Minor stated that he would be advising the board as the date drew closer for the ribbon cutting and grand opening of the Ted Whitlock Community Center. The center has received a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) from the City of Palm Bay, but is currently awaiting arrival and placement of furnishings and equipment in the center.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Schuh inquired if the City of Palm Bay had approved the new names of the roads at Palm Bay Regional Park. It was noted that Palm Bay City Council were holding their meeting that same evening and some members thought that the issue would be brought up that night. This was noted as an **ACTION ITEM** for Mr. Fazekas to provide an answer to the members of the City Council's approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Whitlock stated that Mrs. Cook would keep attendance records for the meetings and stated that per Resolution, three unexcused absences from meetings would result in your replacement on the board. Mr. Whitlock stated that members needed to call or email Mrs. Cook by 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting if they would not be able to attend that evening so that a determination could be made to cancel the meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Anderson made a **MOTION** to adjourn. Mr. Barber **SECONDED, UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**. Mr. Whitlock stated that the next meeting date would be held on February 26, 2009 and that the location would be determined by Parks and Recreation staff and announced to the members at a later date. Mr. Whitlock adjourned the meeting of the Palm Bay Regional Park Citizens Advisory Committee at 7:22 p.m.