

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
Suntree-Viera Parks Committee/POW MIA Referendum Committee
REGULAR MEETING
August 13, 2003

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department Suntree-Viera Parks Committee was held on Wednesday, August 13, 2003, at 7:30 a.m. at BRPH, 3275 Suntree Blvd., Melbourne, FL.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jerry Jagrowski, Chairman
Harry Rhame, Vice Chairman
Herb Richter, Member
Duwayne Lundgren, Ex-Officio
Mike Malone, Member
Warren Price, Member
Mark Leslie, Member
Mary Ann Beasley, Member
Bob Ball, Ex-Officio
Rob Brisson, Ex-Officio
John Lewis, Member
Audrey Nassen, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chuck Manning, Member
Neil Jackson, Member
John Barry, Ex-Officio
Chris Sherman, Ex-Officio
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STAFF ATTENDING

Jack Masson, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director
Karen Palus, South Area Parks Operations Manager
Greg Minor, Construction Coordinator
Tina Webster, Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC

Scott Hubel
R.L. Jones, Eau Gallie Kiwanis
Nancy Sewell, Viera Rotary

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jagrowski called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (6/11/03)

Mr. Leslie stated that in the last sentence related to a water sports park, he would like for it to read jet skiing, water skiing, wake boarding, etc. Mr. Rhame made a **MOTION** to accept the minutes with the corrections. Mr. Malone seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Mr. Jagrowski adjourned the meeting to allow the Suntree-Viera Parks Foundation to meet. The Suntree-Viera Parks Committee continued at 7:42 a.m.

STAFF REPORTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Project Review:

Viera Regional Park:

Mr. Masson provided the plans of the Viera Regional Park Referendum project to share with the committee. A brief discussion of the project ensued. Ms. Sewell mentioned the possible interest of Professional Soccer becoming involved in this project. Ms. Sewell and Ms. Palus will meet to discuss the options.

POW/MIA:

Mr. Masson was pleased to announce that this project is finally ready to go. Mr. Minor informed the committee that all permits have been received for the POW/MIA project. A Groundbreaking Event is scheduled for September 3, 2003. Mr. Minor explained that FPL is relocating the poles around the middle of September and Roadways & Landscaping will be doing the site work. He also mentioned that the boat ramp should be in by the end of October and the anticipated opening of the park is May 2004. Mr. Hubel would like to be involved with Mr. Minor regarding the landscape plan for this project. Mr. Hubel questioned if dredging would be done and Mr. Minor replied that dredging has been permitted if needed. Discussion ensued regarding city water and sewage. Mr. Hubel was recommended to contact Dick Martins, Surface Water and Peggy Turner, City of Cocoa Utilities, to discuss. Mr. Jagrowski questioned the parking surface. Mr. Minor explained that the exterior loop is asphalt and the actual parking is stabilized grass. A sign will be posted as to the closing of the park during the construction project. Ms. Sewell questioned some type of memorial at the park. Mr. Masson mentioned that the POW/MIA group would like some type of park and/or plaza recognizing them therefore, the name change of Pineda Landing. However, the Wickham Park Referendum Project includes a Plaza to represent POW/MIA located at the new entrance of Wickham Park. Staff will then go back to the Board of County Commissioners, upon completion of the plaza at Wickham, to re-address the name change of Pineda Landing.

NEW BUSINESS

The Groundbreaking Ceremony for the POW/MIA project is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2003 at 10:30am and will be held at the current site. Invitations are going out this week.

Mr. Jagrowski introduced Nancy Sewell from Viera Rotary.

PUBLIC INPUT

Public input occurred during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to discuss. Mr. Lewis made a **MOTION** to adjourn and Mr. Rhame seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.** The meeting adjourned at 8:21 a.m.