

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
Suntree-Viera Parks Committee/POW MIA Referendum Committee  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 14, 2004

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department Suntree-Viera Parks Committee was held on Wednesday, July 14, 2004, 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  
Mark Leslie, Member  
Bob Ball, Ex-Officio  
Judi John, Member  
Rob Brisson, Ex-Officio  
Mary Ann Beasley, Member  
Nancy Sewell, Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Neil Jackson, Member  
John Barry, Ex-Officio  
Chris Sherman, Ex-Officio  
Vacant, Member (replacing John Lewis)  
R.L. Jones, Member  
Warren Price, Member  
Chuck Manning, Member  
Scott Hubel, Member  
Audrey Nassen, Member

**STAFF ATTENDING**

Bill Ross, Senior Construction Coordinator  
Karen Palus, South Area Parks Operations Manager  
Tim Howze, Park Supervisor I  
Tina Webster, Administrative Secretary

**PUBLIC**

None

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

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

Mr. Jagrowski adjourned the meeting to allow the Suntree-Viera Parks Foundation to meet. The Suntree-Viera Parks Committee continued at 8:01 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (4/14/04)**

Mr. Leslie mentioned that where he discussed the manatee signs, people need to know that they have to go 1000 feet out before they open full throttle. Usually the manatee signs are located 1000 feet out, so boaters are not aware of it at the launch area. Mr. Leslie recommended that staff may need to get with Fish and Wildlife about it. Ms. Palus mentioned that Fish and Wildlife provide the signage, but staff can discuss with them the need of signs being placed at the launch area. Ms. Beasley made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes as amended by Mr. Leslie and Mr. Malone seconded. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**STAFF REPORTS**

See Old Business.

Mr. Jagrowski asked members to update their mailing addresses and asked for nominees for new members. Mr. Richter recommended Martin Hensley to replace John Lewis. Mr. Richter will provide Ms. Webster with his contact information so that staff can forward this to the Commission office for appointment to the committee. Ms. Beasley will provide a mailing address for the new president to add to the committee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Project Review:**

#### *POW/MIA (Pineda Landing):*

Mr. Ross informed the committee that Mr. Leslie assisted in locating the channel. Applications have now been submitted to get channels markers. Mr. Ross also mentioned that staff is waiting on permits from the Core and St. Johns Water Management. Once these permits are received, then staff can apply for permitting with the Coast Guard. He stated that the permit from the Coast Guard could not be applied for until receipt of the Core and St. Johns permits.

The ramp is ready to be opened. The City of Rockledge should be done with the mitigation project by Friday of this week. Once complete, approval from St. Johns Water Management will be needed. Therefore, staff anticipates the ramp being open by July 23, 2004. Mr. Rhame made a suggestion of sending out a news release to let the public know when the ramp is open. Ms. Palus asked if the committee would like to hold off doing a grand opening until the entire park is done; the committee agreed.

Mr. Leslie offered a suggestion of making some temporary signs of the location of the PVC markers. Ms. Palus mentioned that Mr. Whitehead is already working on that.

Mr. Ross provided a status of the building permits. Several comments have come back on the plans, but staff anticipates the receipt of the permits this week. The contractor has 180 days to complete the buildings; therefore it will be around March of next year when the buildings will be complete. Mr. Richter stated his opinions of the length of time this project is taking.

Mr. Ross provided the map of the landscape plan and gave a brief description. Mr. Richter is upset of the rocks located along the shoreline. Ms. Palus and Mr. Ross explained that the rocks are required through the permitting process. Mr. Richter would like it more boater friendly.

#### *Viera Regional Park:*

The Viera Regional Park project is going out to bid. Mr. Ross mentioned that there are a few minor issues with the site plan, but those issues should be resolved today. The bid opening has been rescheduled for the end of the month. Staff is still waiting on the permit from St. Johns Water Management. Staff is anticipating construction to begin in October.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss at this time.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**There was no further business to discuss.** Mr. Rhame made a **MOTION** to adjourn and Ms. Beasley seconded. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.** The meeting adjourned at 8:33a.m.