

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

September 7, 2022

Board Attendance Record

William Dryburgh 9/10
Maria Greenberg 9/10
Don McCormick 8/10
Kay Tvaroch 10/10
Debra Anlauf 10/10
Erick Toth 9/10
Vacant – District 1

Present

William Dryburgh
Maria Greenberg
Don McCormick
Kay Tvaroch
Debra Anlauf
Erick Toth

Absent

County Representatives

Ken Doherty, Commission Liaison
Tommy Scott, Director of Community Services
Maureen Broderick, Recreation Manager
Tina Powell, Parks & Natural Resources Manager
Mike Norton, Recreation Supervisor
Jill Boyd, Recreation Superintendent
Lonne Moore, Recreation Supervisor
Kathy Koroschetz, Administrative Assistant

Guests

Chairman William Dryburgh welcomed members, staff, and visitors to the meeting.

- Roll Call
- Minutes
Motion to approve the 2022 June Minutes made by Maria Greenberg and Kay Tvaroch 2nd and was unanimously approved.
- Division Reports – May, June & July 2022
- Old Business

- Vacancy Report – Tina Powell, Parks & Natural Resources Manager gave an update to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) stating the current department vacancies are at 114 with Recreation being at 76, Parks & Natural Resources 21 and Libraries at 30. Recruiting lifeguards continues to be significant challenge finding applicants. We are in sessions for additional modification to operations of the pool due to staffing challenges. There will be hiring event on October 17th at the Charlotte Harbor Event Center from 3-7pm.

Commissioner Doherty added that he is having difficulty as well filling the District 1 vacancies for the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board committee and the Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee and said they are continuing to advertise.

- New Business

- I. **Parking ordinance update** – Tina Powell updated the PRAB announcing a change that was approved to the parking ordinance by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), the change restricts parking in trailer spaces at boat ramps to only boats and trailers as opposed to car parking. Currently a signage plan is being worked on and each park is being evaluated as to the best way to communicate this change to the public.
- II. **Smoking ban at parks & beaches** – Tina Powell stated that as of July 1, 2022, the state gave all counties the ability to regulate smoking on beaches and in parks. Ms. Powell provided a handout of the draft ordinance prepared by the BCC. The agenda item is set for the September 27th BCC meeting and a public hearing will at the October 25th BCC meeting.

Tina Powell added that the specific ordinance in discussion is listed on page 3 of the ordinance under Section 2-3-94.

Motion was made for BCC approval of the Smoking ban at parks & beaches by Don McCormick and 2nd by Debra Anlauf and was unanimously approved.

- Sports Council Update – Erick Toth
 - Reviewed ongoing projects at the sports locations.
 - Followed up on the documentation forms required to be turned in for Youth Council members.
 - Updated the weather policies for all clubs.
 - Harold Ave Recreation Center (HARP) was closed from 8/22-8/27.
 - Went through field requests and rules with all the clubs.
 - Requested background information on all the members and directors.
 - Facility field questions with Monty Rodriguez.

- Member Issues

William Dryburgh asked if he could get more information on playground replacements, especially during their summer break to be better able to answer questions from the public. Tina Powell responded that she could supply him with that.

- Directors Report

- Tina Powell gave the Director's Report for Tommy Scott, Director of Community Services who could not be in attendance. Ms. Powell asked the PRAB where they would like to go for the October Tour next month and gave her suggestion of going to West County that would include viewing new playground updates at Englewood Beach, and also viewing new additions and updates at Ann & Chuck Dever Recreation Park, Randy Spence Park and the Bill Coy Preserve. PRAB October tour will meet at Centennial Park Recreation Center on October 5th at 11am, located at 1120 Centennial Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33953.
- Tina Powell stated that Summer Camp went well this year and there will be a recap of it at the November PRAB meeting. Senior Games registration is currently underway and available on our website. We are working on our fiscal year closeout, wrapping up a lot of small projects and making sure our CMP money is fully accounted for our amenity, repair & replacement, and upcoming design projects.

- Citizens Input

- Announcement
None

- Adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

CC: Commissioner Ken Doherty, District 1
Commissioner Chris Constance, District 2
Commissioner Bill Truex, District 3
Commissioner Stephen R. Deutsch, District 4
Commissioner Joe Tiseo, District 5
Hector Flores, County Administrator
Emily Lewis, Deputy County Administrator