

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

January 3, 2024

Board Attendance Record

William Dryburgh 4/4
Maria Greenberg 4/4
Don McCormick 3/4
Kay Tvaroch 4/4
Robin Cyphert 1/1
Erick Toth 4/4
Steven Leskovich 3/4

Present

William Dryburgh
Maria Greenberg
Don McCormick
Kay Tvaroch
Robin Cyphert
Erick Toth

Absent

Steven Leskovich

Guests

County Representatives

Ken Doherty, Commission Liaison
Tommy Scott, Director of Community Services
Maureen Broderick, Recreation Manager
Lisa Smithson, Community Services Coordinator
Kathy Koroschetz, Administrative Assistant

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

- Election of officers – Tommy Scott, Director of Community Services asked if there were any nominations for the Chairperson for Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) for 2024. Maria Greenberg nominated William Dryburgh.

Motion to approve William Dryburgh as Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board made by Maria Greenberg and Don McCormick 2nd and was unanimously approved.

Tommy Scott asked if there were any nominations for the Vice Chairperson for Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) for 2024. Erick Toth nominated Maria Greenberg.

Motion to approve Maria Greenberg as Vice Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board made by Erick Toth and Don McCormick 2nd and was unanimously approved.

- Roll Call
- Minutes
Motion to approve the 2023 December Minutes made by Maria Greenberg and Kay Tvaroch 2nd and was unanimously approved.

- Division Reports – November 2023

- Old Business
None

- New Business

Schedule of meetings – Tommy Scott, Director of Community Services went over the 2024 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) meeting schedule which is the first Wednesday of the month at 3pm held at the Centennial Park Recreation Center, with the exception of July and August when no meetings are held. Typically, there are two field trips one in April and another in October, last year we agreed to have the field trips on the first Tuesday of the month at 11:00am to accommodate committee members and asked the committee if they would like to continue with that schedule.

Motion to approve the 2024 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting schedule made by Maria Greenberg and Kay Tvaroch 2nd and was unanimously approved.

- **Senior Games One Page Summary** – Lisa Smithson, Community Services Coordinator went over the Senior Games Summary and pointed out that Basketball, Bowling and Punt/Pass/Kick were not offered this year due to low participation in previous years, with the exception of bowling that was not offered due to bowling alleys were not open at the time due to repairs from the hurricane. Humana was the best overall sponsor offering concessions at all the events. There was a great turnout and people absolutely loved it, many commented that they will be back and that the staff was awesome! Participants paid \$10.00 per event which covered registration, and everyone thought this was a really great deal.
- **Letter of support for FWC grant – Ainger Creek** – Tommy Scott explained that recently an opportunity came to us from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) regarding grants opening up, one for Florida Boat Improvement program and one for an infrastructure grant. We are in the middle design of the Ainger Creek boat ramp on Placida Road in west county and had planned on applying for this grant when it opened up, so the timing is quick. Tommy Scott asked the PRAB if they would approve of a letter of support being drafted and circulated for their review and then asking William Dryburgh to sign it to seek approval for the building of this boat ramp.

Motion to approve a Letter of Support for the FWC grant for Ainger Creek boat ramp made by Erick Toth and Don McCormick 2nd and was unanimously approved.

- Sports Council Update – Erick Toth
No meeting for Sports Youth Council in December
- Member Issues
- Directors Report
Tommy Scott brought up an issue at Bayshore Live Oak Park, a new parking lot was built next to Sunseeker Resort and after a lot of rain during the holiday break the parking lot did not perform up to expectations and we have closed it due to safety issues. We are working with our facilities department who oversaw the design and construction, and they are working with the vendor to repair the problem.

Tommy Scott updated the PRAB on Rays Spring training at Charlotte Sports Park (CSP), stating everything is on track and on time and putting through all the final touches.

- Announcement
None
- Upcoming events
None
- Adjourned at 3:30p.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