

**LEISURE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD**

**January 11, 2017**

**8:30 am**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Steve Miller called the meeting to order at 8:55 AM.

**DEVOTION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Zone 2 - Steve Miller – Chair  
Zone 4 - Carol Kilian  
Zone 6 - John Huger  
At Large - Dwayne Murray

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Zone 1 - Amanda Glugover  
Zone 3 – Vacant  
Zone 5 – Vacant

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Percy Williamson, Director Leisure Services  
Betty Covington, Secretary

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Carol Kilian made a motion to approve December minutes, seconded by Dwayne Murray, approval was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Helen Riger presented an overview of events. NAIA week of events was a great success. There was a luncheon at the Ocean Center for 28 students that were honored. There was also a combine of 150 athletes from around the country at the stadium prior to the game who were seen by agents and scouts. This year, NAIA revenues increased, exceeded expectations of the budget. Year one started with a loss. Year two there was revenue of \$12,000. This year ended with \$24,000 to the good. Tickets sales were up 36% with an attendance of 4900. Concessions and parking increased from last year. NAIA would like to come back for 2 more years. The draft contract is currently in legal. It would have to go before the commission with a detailed report. This is a \$58,000 investment by the city. The Visitors Bureau is also a \$58,000 investor. NAIA is receiving a great deal of support from the community.

Meetings have been held to discuss the masterplan for the Derbyshire Sports Complex. Suggestions have been received from the surrounding community. Hopefully by the next meeting Helen will be able to bring more information to report on.

The last football weekend at the stadium is this weekend with the Tropic Bowl. The turf will be replaced in February. It is under warranty. It will be expanded to accommodate soccer. Hopefully expanding the use to the county.

The Derbyshire "Y" had been purchased by the Mosque. The original plan was rejected by the zoning board, but earlier last year it was re-submitted and since been approved by the zoning board. That property was zoned recreational, but they had planned on putting in the mosque and multi-family housing. Proper zoning has been received, but unclear as to what they plan to do. It has been 4 or 5 years. There were concerns that the mosque would duplicate walking trails and fields. Therefore they were encouraged to work together as to not duplicate. The City owns 14 acres and the Mosque owns 16 acres. This could potentially be a big complex.

Per Percy, there were some citizens at the last commission meeting who were complaining that they were restricted from using the fields at Derbyshire. The fields are maintained and kept in pristine condition. They were playing in a gated/locked area. At the time they were attempting to use the fields, grounds maintenance was over seeding and fertilizing the field. The open fields are not maintained the same. They were encouraged to use those fields.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Campbell Pool master plan was distributed. This is a draft that will be given to the city manager for review. The city is in the process of their strategic planning for the budget. The renovation of the pool itself is complete. Money has found to purchase the geothermal heater for the pool. It is out to bid. On January 22, the bids are due, contractor selected and the work will start immediately. The manager wanted to get the pool open. The other renovations can be done while the pool is open. The pool is open, but since it is not heated, it can only be used 3 months out of the year. The heater will allow us to be open year round. They will attempt to get the money to complete this project from Racing and Rec.

There is a priority in Zone 6 to bring the Dickerson Center up to standard. This is all part of the Dickerson Sports Complex. This is why it is imperative for the board to discuss with their commissioner the importance of this project.

Steve asked if they were doing all this for the betterment of the children in the community or because of the loft condos that are being built on MLK. The lofts is a 6 story luxury apartment complex with no parking. They are looking for city funding to create parking. They will be moving grounds maintenance on Orange Ave. over to Bellevue. That transition is already in the works. That would be property available to the developer. The loft project is in an attempt to upgrade the area. There is a mechanic shop directly across the street from where the lofts will be built. But eminent domain is against the law.

There was a motion made by Joh Huger to accept the Dickerson Masterplan, seconded by Dwayne Murray. The vote was unanimous.

Zone 3 and zone 5 are still vacant. Zone 3 should be on the next agenda for commission approval. There are applications in for zone 5.

John Huger made a motion to appoint Carol Kilian as the vice-chair for the advisory board, seconded by Dwayne Murray. Decision was unanimous.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

John Huger – None

Carol Kilian – None

Dwayne Murray - We now have the money for the geothermal heater. But what happens if the City Manager decides that we no longer have the money for that project. Can we state a projected completion date on the project? Percy stated that the Racing and Rec gives half of their grant money to Daytona Beach. If this is a priority for us, our project will go to the top of the list for Racing and Rec grants. Racing and Rec is the primary funding source for this project. If the project is important enough, it will be put in the city budget. The planning board is looking to proceed with this \$20 million project. They are hoping that if they build it, it will bring the economy up and more business to the area. These lofts will be rental apartments. It will create 3 new jobs. The builder cannot build it and then hand it off and leave. It is an \$1800, 2 bedroom luxury apartment. The Safari lounge was purchased for \$800,000 but the tax roll only lists it as \$100,000.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Percy requests that that the meeting day for the board meeting be re-structured. He now is required to attend a meeting weekly with the city manager. That would conflict with the time of the board meeting. Percy will select 3 alternate days/times and pole the board for the new dated.

John Huger would like to put playground equipment in the Huger Park on the corner of Orange Ave and MLK.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

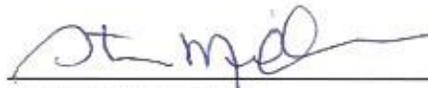
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion was made by Steve Miller to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Steve Miller, Chair

Leisure Services Advisory Board

Reviewed by:

  
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Steve Miller, Chair

Transcribed by: Betty Covington, Board Secretary