

LEISURE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

January 10, 2019

9:12 am

CALL TO ORDER

Carol Kilian called the meeting to order at 9:12 AM.

DEVOTION

Ms. Mary, Citizen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Zone 1 - Amanda Glugover

Zone 3 – Tracy Marino

Zone 4 – Carol Kilian

MEMBERS ABSENT

Zone 2 – Vacant

Zone 5 – Vacant

At Large - Dwayne Murray

Zone 6 - John Huger

OTHERS PRESENT

Lubna Nisa, Secretary

Keith Willis, Leisure Services

Terry Johnson, Leisure Services

Joe Chirillo, Leisure Services

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Carol Kilian made a motion to approve the December minutes. Tracy Marino mentioned a correction of name in new business; the name was Doyle Lewis than the approval was anonymous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Marino attended two Commission meetings last month, following matters has been discussed:

- They have approved a portion of money in budget for City Island Recreation Building project.
- They have also approved funds for the air conditioning at Schnebly Center.
- Commissioner Paula Reed and Commissioner Quanita May are doing a cleaning project on Saturdays. People are welcome to join and help.
- Mayor Henry discussed again about food trucks.
- The Mayor’s Fitness Challenge, starting from January 22, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS:

In previous meeting the board requested a copy of budget which has not been provided yet. Mr. Willis said that the budget is ready but need to be signed by Mr. Chisholm. A copy of signed budget will be available for the board before next meeting.

Ms. Kilian informed the board that Mr. Murray cannot switch Zones; he will remain in his existing position. Ms. Kilian, Mr. Murray and Mr. Huger need to sign Commission Member Candidate Application form; out of which Ms. Kilian signed the form. However, Mr. Murray and Mr. Huger won't be able to sign the form because of their absence. Their term was expired on 12/31/2019. Ms. Kilian suggested that Leisure Services Office may email that form to them and they can electronically sign it.

Mr. Willis discussed his responsibilities as a new Administrator of Leisure Services. He is supervising all Community Centers and maintenance staff. He is over 30 full time employees and 40 casual workers. He is also attending all Commission and Agenda Meetings. He also mentioned that Ms. Nisa will be the secretary of Leisure Services Advisory Board meeting from now on and that they are going to put her on a full time position. Ms. Kilian welcomed on behalf of the board.

Ms. Kilian asked about the Schnebly lighting. Mr. Chirillo informed the board members that the lighting project at Schnebly Center has been completed; Volleyball and kids play area is fixed. Almost all projects at Schnebly Center are completed so far. Ms. Glugover asked if we can have some seats in outside areas around the courts. She also pointed out about the condition of the ladies bathroom at Schnebly Center. She said the bathroom doors have big gaps, you can easily see through them. These doors cannot be closed properly. Its metal hinges and locks are reworked so many times that they are not fixable anymore; they need to be changed.

Mr. Chirillo explained Midtown activities. He said they have heavy numbers of rentals at Midtown, they hosted seniors' Christmas Dinner and running Baseball and Basketball seasons. 340 kids are already registered for Basketball. Ms. Kilian asked about the 3-4 years contract with Tortugas Baseball League. Mr. Chirillo informed that the Daytona Beach City Commissioners signed off on spending funds to have new synthetic turf installed at Jackie Robinson Ballpark and Tortugas are getting ready for that artificial turf. Ms. Kilian asked that the T-shirts this year will be the ongoing thing or it's just this year? It's really good it should go on. Mr. Chirillo implies that it will be a big expense for the City. Mr. Willis reminded him about the F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival going to be held on 1/11/19 at Midtown Center. Ms. Kilian praises this festival in good words and she said that she attended it last year and have a very good experience. Mr. Chirillo added that the two football teams are playing at Derbyshire football field; Daytona Beach Pop Warner and Miracle City Cougars. A semipro football team playing in Derbyshire area as well. Derbyshire is giving us good revenue; \$6000 in 3 days and \$2200 in 3days again. We have made almost \$10,000 last month. They are also under the process of contracting with a Tennis team. Midtown Center will start a cooking class soon. Ms. Glugover asked if this class will be for adults. Mr. Chirillo said it will be for the kids.

Ms. Martin explained the activities at Sunnyland. She informed that it's very difficult to attract people for Sunnyland. One of the reason is that Sunnyland was not offering activities for long period of time and people are not use to of coming here. Also, when Bethune Cookman played Softball at Sunnyland field most of the kids don't want to come. She and kids will go to the neighborhood door to door to pass out flyers and pamphlets in order to spread out the word about Sunnyland activities. The

Sunnyland provides homework help, arts and craft; have a special day every week called Teen Wednesday. They have Line Dancing at Sunnyland every Monday from 6:45-7:45pm; first, third and fourth Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm; third and fourth Thursday 5:15-6:15pm and 6:30-7:30pm. They also have a throwback Thursday at Line dancing every second Thursday of the month from 5-9pm. The participants bring their special dish to share on that day. They are also organizing a Free Pizza Party at Sunnyland Park. This is an effort to promote Sunnyland activities since people come for free food usually. They are not putting this event on Facebook or other social media but only distributing flyers and promoting by word of mouth because they don't know how many Pizzas they can arrange. Ms. Kilian ask her that if she still go to the YSG. Ms. Martin said yes and she still do Senior Oasis also. Ms. Glugover said all the things you does at Sunnyland are very good to keep kids busy.

Mr. Willis said that they are hiring casual workers 18 and up. They have to be approved from Human Resource Department. This approval required background check, level 2 screening which takes 4-6 weeks and also many of them failed the level 2 background screening. We interviewed 30 people and hired 20 already. Mr. Chirillo explained about background screening. He said some cities required only level 1 screening but we required level 2, which is very sensitive, if somebody even have a very minor charge they will fail the background check. Ms. Kilian said they were wondering before that why candidates are failing the test but now they know the reason.

Ms. Kilian asked Ms. Sandra Strapp to say few words. She said she lives in zone 5 and coordinates Golden Oasis at Yvonne Scarlet Golden Center. She asked what does Leisure Service Advisory Board does. Ms. Kilian replied that the board came in existence 3 years ago to help the Leisure Services staff, since than we made a difference and helped in accomplishing many goals of Leisure Service Department. Our Board worked just like any other Advisory Board. Ms. Strapp asked that if we need anything can we ask board for it. Ms. Kilian said yes and suggested that the board should have its accomplishments list. Ms. Strapp asked about the possibility of adding a stove near the sink in one room at Yvonne Scarlet Golden Center since there is no kitchen at the facility. They faces a lot of trouble in warming their food during their Golden Oasis event with almost 92 attendees. Mr. Willis explained her why we cannot have kitchen appliances in Yvonne Scarlet Golden Center. He said it's not a Community Center, we make special accommodations for these kind of events. Mr. Chirillo added to his answer that the way how this building is designed and existed now, the Health Department will not be happy with the additions of kitchen appliances. Ms. Strapp had understand the situation completely but requested again if the Department can add her request in its next year's budget. Ms. Glugover said that this matter had been discussed in our meetings as well when Mr. Williamson was the in charge.

BOARD COMMENTS

Zone 1: Amanda Glugover – I am very happy about the Schnebly Center.

Zone 3: Tracy Marino – Holiday Luncheon was really nice. The Music and dancing were enjoyable. Food was great.

Zone 4: Carol Kilian – The Music Room at Midtown Center is incredible.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business. Meeting was adjourned at 9:47 AM. Next meeting scheduled for February 14, 2019.

Carol Kilian, Vice Chair
Leisure Services Advisory Board

Reviewed by: Carol Kilian
Carol Kilian, Vice Chair

Transcribed by: Lubna Nisa, Board Secretary