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LEISURE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

February 9, 2023

9:07 AM

CALL TO ORDER

Carol Kilian called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM.

DEVOTION

Luke McCoy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Zone 1 – Amanda Glugover - Present

Zone 2 – Vacant

Zone 3 – Theresa Quattrociocchi -Present

Zone 4 – Carol Kilian - Present

Zone 5 – Malcolm Williams - Present

Zone 6 – Devita Bonner – Present

At Large – Luke McCoy - Present

OTHERS PRESENT

Keith Willis – Director of Parks & Rec.

Sharonda Irvin – Secretary

Justin Valleyjo – Communications Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 12, 2023

COMMISSION MEETINGS:

None

Keith Willis – Introduction of Zone 3 new appointee Theresa Quattrociocchi! {WELCOME} I will give you a book of all the facilities to familiarize yourself with. Its outdated right now but we will have Louie update it and get it out.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Still waiting to do the soft opening of the field, we need to come up with some more money so we can do it right way.

- No advertising on the Derbyshire field walls as it is a rental facility, we would have to take it down each time after every event.
- -BANTER-
- I got everyone a copy of the By-laws and resolutions for the board meetings. (Presented to each member).
- Schnebly courts resurfacing has been completed, now they are getting ready to do the relining of the courts.
- Peninsula Club we are still trying to come up with the \$25,000 to have the facility painted and to get new tables and chairs for the facility.
- Sunnyland to reopen soon. We are waiting on the new furniture for the Maintenance Dept. Office, then we can re-open it on Monday.
- Cherry Center A/C, we are still 6-8 weeks out waiting on parts.
- Aquatics Center A/Cis being replaced. It is being placed outside away from the chemicals this time.
- The Dickerson Center proposed completion date is April. If you go by there you will see all of the improvements being done.
- Suburbia Park Water Tower has gotten underway.
- Update for the totals given from Commissioner Strickland for each Senior Oasis groups is \$3,000 per site.
- The Schnebly Center is getting their playground equipment as we speak
- The Young Lady that asked about the puddles at Cypress Park Trail, she gave me pictures and we found out that there was a broken pipe underground. We are fixing that as we speak.

OVERVIEW OF PARKS AND REC. PROGRAMS

Justin Valleyjo -

- We have started the new press release for the upcoming Baseball program. It's on all social media platforms.
- Flyers will be taken to all of the schools today.
- The banner is being made to put on the Derbyshire fence as advertising for the Baseball Clinics Program.
- The Basketball Banquet is coming up since the season is almost over.
- We have the Cold Water Meet and Greet for reptiles at the Breakers Oceanfront Environmental Learning Center this week.
- We are starting back up the "On the Move" insert for the Community. Again, all of this information is online.

(BANTER)

Malcolm Williams – I just have one suggestion when it comes to "On the Move". Is there any way that we can incorporate the highlighting of the staff? Just to let people know who the staff are in the buildings. And, as a footnote maybe to also put in there when the monthly meetings are for this board.

(BANTER regarding the Esplanade) No verified information.

Malcolm Williams – Made mention that he thinks the President of this Advisory Board should have a seat on the Board for the Esplanade.

NEW BUSINESS:

Carol Kilian – We need to vote for “NEW Officers for the President and Vice President seat for this Board”

Joseph Chirillo – (Athletic Director) We are wrapping up the Basketball Season as Justin said. We have almost 300 kids in or program. It is the most popular program that we have. We are gearing up for our Baseball program, but it needs help. Not only with getting kids to register but with the Coaches as well. All of the surrounding Cities have a very successful Baseball programs. Ours is lacking, and it’s because most of our kids play either Basketball or Football and Baseball was just not high on the list for our community kids. We are giving scholarships out to help encourage enrollment. The Tortugas donated the uniforms and some equipment to help the program. We just finished the new field at Derbyshire Park to help encourage the kids in that neighborhood to come out and play. Luke McCoy is helping with the strategy to get more kids enrolled in our program. Clinics will start on the 21st of February and run for 2-3 week. Then we will try to get some teams together and play against the surrounding Cities.

Luke McCoy – I don’t have a job title for this position, I’m just a concerned citizen who is volunteering my time to get the community kids back into the sport of Baseball. We have put together some strategies to make this season better.

(BANTER)

Malcolm Williams – I think the last thing that whole plan is missing is a “Open House”. We need to do an “Open House” to invite the community out and make them aware of the programs that we offer right here in their community. Make it a fund day for families and have all our programs out on display.

(BANTER)

Malcolm Williams asked the question if the “CITY” was putting 3 million into the Daytona Stadium for repairs for the locker rooms.

Joseph Chirillo - “WE” as the City are investing monies into the Stadium to improve it over a period for the locker rooms.

(BANTER)

Talks of renovation to the chairs of the stadium, the necessary need for a female locker room etc.

Luke McCoy – Did you hear what Joe just said, that we have the largest Basketball program. So, I’m not look for new kids, I’m looking to rotate the ones we already have. When we played the Coach that was for Basketball was also the Coach for Football and Baseball. There has always been a lack of Coaches, but the kids were always there. So that’s my strategy not to look for new kids just rotate the ones we have like seasons and hopefully the Coaches will do the same. I have some athletes that I plan to bring in to show the kids that you don’t have to be as good as the Pro Black Athletes to play Baseball but consider it as a second option.

(BANTER)

Carol Kilian – Let’s talk to Keith about this Parks & Rec. Family Fun Day Event and see when we can get this scheduled. I think that it will be a great addition to the department and shed some light on the amazing programs that we offer. Maybe mix it with “**Summer Fun On the Run**”.

BOARD /CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Rick Brown – I’d like to submit for the record is a summary of the objectives for the Parks & Rec. The City Comprehension Plan is 198 pages, and like the City Commission I’m sure none of you have read it. So, this summary highlights all of the things that are of importance in this Parks & Rec Plan.

- Mr. Brown reads the Park Land Enhancement Plan sub section 7 objective 1.5.
- Mr. Brown makes note of none of the plans have been executed to his knowledge.
- Mr. Brown would like to add to the record that the Parks & Rec. Advisory Board should take on making some of these things happen as described in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Mr. Brown makes note that there should be an Open House Day not just for youth sports, but for Senior Programs as well.
- Mr. Brown recalls memories from when his daughter was in sports etc.
- Mr. Brown makes mention of the contractor that takes care of the landscape in the Lenox Park area and all of the damage they have caused etc..
- Mr. Brown makes mention of the blatant disregard of the dog owners with large dogs in the small dog lot.

Malcolm Williams – Mr. Brown I’m confused as to what it is you are trying to put a focus on.

Theresa Quattrociocchi – Let me try to sum it up for you Mr. Williams as I live there. My house is probably 100 feet from the park. He’s saying that the landscape has declined over the years. The Park use to be beautiful in years past, but not now due to the new Landscapers and the vagrants.

(BANTER)

Rick Brown –

- Makes mention of the Drug Dealers, Vagrants and Homeless people tsking over the Lenox Park.
- Makes mention that the Lenox Park needs lighting in the park area during the open hours and motion lighting when the park is to be closed.

Carol Kilian – Mr. Brown, you started out talking about the Comprehensive Plan and you have gone way off track. What you said about the Plan was very important but let’s not cover too much at one time. I’m on the Economic Development Board and we are now going through that Comprehensive Plan and I think each item needs to be looked at individually. So, I will bring this to the Economic Board at our next meeting. I will speak to Keith about this because none of these objectives have been updated in the last 5 or so years.

(BANTER)

Joseph Chirillo – I can talk to the Lanscaping Company at the Park as well as the Police Department about the canvassing of the area. We can make a sign that designates what size dogs need to be in what area. But if I don't know, I can't fix it. So put it in writing to me and I'll get on it.

(BANTER)

Rick Brown – Makes mention of Bridgeport Heights Park and how he fought for 2 ½ years to get this public land back to the public.

(BANTER)

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS:

N/A

Carol Kilian – Meeting called for adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

February 9, 2023 10:09 am

Carol Kilian, Chair
Leisure Services Advisory Board

Reviewed by: _____ Date _____
Carol Kilian, Chair

Transcribed by: Sharonda Irvin, Board Secretary