MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Naples, Florida, March 21, 2007

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 2:00 P.M., at the North Collier Regional Park in the Administration Building in Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN:

John P. Ribes

Vice Chairman:

Edward "Ski" Olesky

Beth Barth (Absent) Frank Donohue

Timothy Toole
Kerry Geroy

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John MacDougall (resigned)

ALSO PRESENT:

Barry Williams - Director, Parks & Recreation

Gary McAlpin – Coastal Project Manager Mary Ellen Donner - Assistant Director

Tony Ruberto, Sr. Project Manager

Murdo Smith, Beach & Water Superintendent Tona Nelson - Sr. Administrative Assistant

- A) The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Edward "Ski" Olesky at 2:00 P.M. A quorum was <u>not</u> established.
- B) The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was given by Barry Williams.
- C) Approval of Agenda

Under "New Business," No. 2, Ellen Barkin will give a Power Point presentation regarding recreational highlights.

- D) Approval of February 21, 2007 Meeting Minutes (See below)
- E) New Business
 - 1. Director's Highlights Barry Williams

Mr. Williams discussed the following:

- Beach parking program has been successful
- 700 beach parking stickers have been sold
- There is a question whether \$30 is a sufficient charge
- County Jam was successful, 2,000 people were present
- County Jam was held last year at Vineyards, larger venue is being sought
- G) Recreation Highlight

Golden Gate Community Center - Ellen Barkin

Ms. Barkin gave a slide presentation regarding the facilities at the Golden Gate Community Center.

- Activities available include cheerleading, karate, basketball, open gym
- Bike Fest has been held for last six years
- BMX track has been made more challenging
- Center offers child care after school and pre-school programs

(Timothy Toole joined the meeting at 2:20 PM)

(A quorum was established)

Mr. Donohue moved to accept the Agenda with the recommended changes. Seconded by Mr. Toole. Carried 4-0.

Mr. Donohue moved to accept the Minutes with the correction on Page 4, Line 17, "Pilwell" should read "Oil Well." Seconded by Mr. Toole. Carried 4-0.

- 1. Director's Highlights (continued) Barry Williams
 - 3. Joint Meeting with City of Naples/Fleischmann Park Barry Williams
 - County funding of City of Naples projects was discussed
 - City of Naples is seeking funding for community center at Fleischmann Park from Collier County
 - Fleischmann Park has a 45% return from use fees

- Determination needs to be made as to whether non-residents of the City of Naples consist of residents of Collier County outside of City of Naples or are from other areas outside of Collier County
- Collier County is considering whether to take ownership of Fleischmann Park

4. Resolution for Collier Citizens Using Park Athletic Fields - Barry Williams

- Resolution was passed by the Board of County Commissioners, introduced by Commissioner Henning, regarding the right of citizens of Collier County to the use of any and all Collier County facilities
- There is a need to have more sport practice fields, practice areas need to be close to citizens homes

(Mr. Ribes joined the meeting at 2:40 PM)

Geocache/Letterbox Placement - Mary Ellen Donner
 Ms. Donner presented a written policy outlining what can and cannot be put into Geocache/Letterbox. (See attached)

Mr. Olesky moved to accept the Letterbox/Letterbox Placement policy as presented by Ms. Donner. Seconded by Ms. Geroy. Carried unanimously 5-0.

6. Keewaydin Island - Gary McAlpin

Mr. McAlpin presented for approval by the Advisory Committee a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners of an amendment to Johnson Engineering's Professional Services contract to execute a site selection study to identify a primary and alternate location for the proposed Keewaydin Island ferry shuttle and park facility. (See attached)

Mr. Olesky moved to approve recommendation to the Collier County Board of County Commissioners of the amendment to Johnson Engineering's professional services contract to execute a site selection study to identify a primary and alternate location for the proposed Keewaydin Island Ferry shuttle and park facility, not to exceed an expenditure of \$25,000. Seconded by Mr. Toole. Carried 4-1 with Ms. Geroy opposed.

7. Gawn Fishin' - Barry Williams

Mr. Williams discussed a property in Everglades City referred to as "Gawn Fishin" which is up for sale and would make an excellent County park. (See attached)

- Property consists of 51 acres
- Boat docks will need a lot of repair
- Airport is next door, there will be safety concerns
- Marine Industry Association has volunteered to help with planning

Amanda Townsend discussed the following:

Other entities have expressed interest in partnering in the purchase of the property and in sharing the cost

• There has been a \$13,000,000 in-house appraisal

F) Old Business

- 1) Manatee Park Presentation George Fogg (Postponed to April 18th meeting)
- 2) Gordon River Greenway Park Land Management Plan Amanda Townsend Ms. Townsend presented the Land Management Plan for Gordon River Water Quality Park and Gordon River Greenway Park. (See attached)
 - Grant has been secured

• Due diligence items are being worked on

Mr. Williams stated Ms. Townsend did a great job on the grant application for this project, it was ranked number one.

(Five-minute recess)

3) Tourist Development Council Grant Applications - Murdo Smith Mr. Smith gave a slide presentation re TDC grant applications. (See attached) The following grants are being applied for by the Tourist Development Council:

• TDC is requesting a grant for Barefoot Beach entrance which needs landscaping, improved pavement, and a restroom facility

- Tigertail Beach Shelled Parking Lot needs additional signs, replacement of islands, re-shelling
- 65 new trash receptacles to place in Collier County Beach parks
- Tigertail Beach project is requesting a grant to remove and install a children's playground at Tigertail Beach.
- Grant being requested to re-shell and re-grade Tigertail Beach shelled parking lot.
- Replacement of vehicle and boat that was lost during the recent reorganization.
- Coastal construction permits are required for beach nourishment, construction, excavation or maintenance of coastal inlet and related shoals, beach cleaning and grooming activities landward of the mean high-water line, beach cleaning following a red tide or storm event.

Mr. Donohue moved to approve the Tourist Development Council's grant applications as presented by Mr. Murdo. Seconded by Mr. Toole. Carried unanimously 5-0.

- E) New Business (Continued)
 - 2. Advisory Board Member Correspondence
 Discussion will be held over until the next meeting on April 18, 2007.
- H) Capital Project Highlight

Golden Gate Community Park Boat Ramp - Gary McAlpin

Mr. McAlpin discussing the following points:

- There should be no issue with the permit, should have it in a few months
- Design will be part of site development plan
- Construction should start in the Fall of 2007
- Funding will come from General Revenue Fund

I)	Informational	Items
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- 1) Attendance Report Report included in packet.
- 2) BCC Recaps Report included in packet.
- 3) Recreation Activities Report included in packet.
- 4) Adopt-A-Park Assignments Report included in packet.
- 5) Meeting Schedule Report included in packet.
- J) Adopt-A-Park (Postponed until April 18 meeting)

K) Public Comments

Kaydee Tuff stated discarded trash cans could be used by her neighborhood; requested a neighborhood park, there are five empty lots that could possibly be used; taxes have not been paid on them.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee will be held April 18, 2007 at 2:00 PM.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 4:10 PM.

Chairman John P Ribes

COLLIER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

These Minute	s approved by the Bo	oard/Committee on	, as
presented	or as amended	•	