MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COLLIER COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Naples, Florida, December 15, 2010

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the Collier County 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 North Collier Regional Park Exhibit Hall, 15000 Livingston Road, Naples Florida, with the following members present:

> CHAIRMAN: John P. Ribes VICE CHAIR: Edward "Ski" Olesky Barbara Buehler Phil Brougham

> > Kerry Geroy David Saletko

ALSO PRESENT:

Barry Williams, Parks & Recreation Director Sidney Kittila, Operations Coordinator Tona Nelson, Administrative Assistant Tony Ruberto, Sr. Project Manager Annie Alvarez, Regional Manager II

I. Call to Order

Edward "Ski" Olesky called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. A quorum was established.

II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Invocation was held.

III. Approval of Agenda

Phil Brougham moved to approve the Agenda as submitted. Second by Barbara Buehler. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

IV. Approval of November 15, 2010 Minutes

XII. – 1st sentence should read "batting nets"

Edward "Ski" Olesky moved to approve the November 15, 2010 Minutes as a amended. Second by Phil Brougham. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

V. New Business

a. Employee of the Month

Staff will make recommendations for the "Employee of the Month" for November and December 2010 at the January 19, 2011 meeting.

b. Interview Applicants – Board Members

The Advisory Board received applications and interviewed the following candidates for seats currently held by Edward "Ski" Olesky, Phil Brougham and seat recently vacated by William Shafer: (See attached)

- Phil Brougham
- Gary McNally New Applicant
- Lenice DeLuca New Applicant

John Ribes arrived at 2:15 pm

- Diane Worrall, PH. D. New Applicant
- Gary Davis New Applicant
- Edward "Ski" Olesky

Each Applicant gave a brief summary on their education, experience, community activities and groups associated with. The Advisory Board Members asked the new applicants questions.

Staff distributed paper ballots to Advisory Board Members. (See attached) John Ribes informed the applicants of the voting and recommendation procedures to the BCC. He directed the Board to vote. Tona Nelson collected the ballots and left the meeting. Ballots will be tallied and Advisory Board recommendations were announced after VIII.

VI. Old Business

Barry Williams stated Jennifer Robertson, Florida Department of Health, Regional Coordinator sponsored a successful "Tobacco Free" event with volunteer high school students at the Golden Gate Community Center, where they picked up cigarette butts off the grounds. Jennifer took pictures to document event. He said he would forward the pictures to the Board.

- Advisory Board open to limited smoking in certain areas.
- Staff is reviewing Ordinances and will make recommendations for areas to be designated as Tobacco Free.
- Staff recommended Jennifer Robertson work with the Advisory Board.
- FDOH plan to hold a future "Tobacco Free" event at Veterans Park.

Discussion was made on limiting smoking to designated areas, City of Naples struggling with banding smoking on beaches, Florida State Laws and enforcement of Ordinance.

VII. Marketing Highlights

Annie Alvarez distributed some Season Greetings bags to the Advisory Board and informational flyers on upcoming events.

VIII. Recreation Highlights – Christmas Events

Annie Alvarez reported as follows:

- "Snowfest" had a good turnout with over 12,000 visitors.
- "Christmas around the World" was held in Immokalee and the parade had 126 entries and Santa came in on a helicopter. The event included a Carnival with rides.
- "Breakfast with Santa" held at Golden Gate Community Center attracted 450 children.
- Christmas Events scheduled at Eagle Lakes and Max Hasse and both had successful turnouts.

V. New Business - Continued

b. Interview Applicants

John Ribes announced the ballot results. The Advisory Board recommended the following applicants be submitted to the BCC for approval:

- Edward "Ski" Olesky
- Phil Brougham
- Lenice DeLuca

Barbara Buehler moved to recommend Edward "Ski" Olesky, Phil Brougham and Lenice DeLuca applications be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Second by David Saletko. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

He thanked the applicants for their time and interest. He urged them to reapply in the future.

IX. Adopt A Park – None.

X. Director's Highlights

Barry Williams reported speaking with Bill Shafer. Bill Shafer said he had been hospitalized for a couple of months. Ian Mitchel recommended going forward with accepting his resignation due to attendance.

Barry Williams noted P&R was going forward with the recommendation to sell beer and wine at the International Festival to be held at Sugden Park. The Ordinance in place authorizes the Director to make that type decisions.

The Nancy Olson is working with County Attorney's office on crafting policies and resolutions to submit to the BCC in January. It will authorize the County Manager as designee to make those decisions.

He suggested the Advisory Board help make decisions on future requests to sell alcohol in County Parks to responsible petitioner(s), the event is appropriate, security in place and liability.

John Ribes suggested Staff screen petitioners to make sure they meet the criteria in the developed Resolution and Specific Guidelines.

Staff responded the petitioner would have to demonstrate they meet requirements before being directed to the Advisory Board.

Barry Williams reported an Executive Summary came down from the BCC on Preserve Ordinance and to incorporate Conservation Collier's use. It was noted Conservation Collier is part of Facilities Management. Conservation Collier has been purchasing land for several years and had acquired over 3500 acres. Facilities Management lacks the ability to manage lands. P&R may become the manager of the preserve lands in 2012. Many of the properties are near or adjoin with P&R properties. Conservation Collier needs to make properties accessible by public. P&R has marketing to let people know of the access, a class system, ranger programs and maintenance.

It was noted there is Referendum funds for the maintenance of the conservation lands.

John Ribes suggested P&R be given Conservation Collier's staff, have control of the properties and receive funds. He stated it was a good idea for P&R attain that position; for recognition and leverage when addressing the BCC as long is not a total drain on P&R.

Barry Williams stated the City of Naples was holding a Workshop between the City and County to discuss funding for the City parks. According to the City, a large percentage of City park usage is by non-city residence. The County currently pays the City \$1mil for receptacle parking per year. \$500,000 is paid directly from P&R and \$500,000 from a general fund budget item.

City states \$1mil is not sufficient. County has an existing contract with the City that includes an index clause. The potential meeting date is January 26.

It was noted there has been talk of making a Countywide Districts for Parks.

Edward "Ski" Olesky moved Collier County Parks and Recreation take over all the City's parks plus keep the current parks. Second by Phil Brougham.

Discussion ensued on the unknown factors, i.e. staffing, number of parks, practicability, possibility and costs. **Barry Williams** suggested he confirm with senior management on the Advisory Boards desires and bring back recommendations to the Advisory Board before the Workshop in January.

Kerry Geroy stated she could not support the motion due to unanswered concerns.

Motion carried 3-2. Barbara Buehler and Kerry Geroy opposed.

John Ribes encouraged the Staff to provide additional information to help change the Advisory Boards stance.

XI. Informational Items – *Read only*

XII. Public Comments/Board Member Comments

Barry Williams read a letter out loud from Susan Cone, business owner who was unable to attend this meeting. (See attached) He noted Nancy Olson has been in conversations with Susan Cone and is in the process of working the issue out.

Edward "Ski" Olesky moved to direct Staff to bring a report on the issue to the Advisory Board. Second by David Saletko. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Barbara Buehler visited the Tiger Tail Beach over the weekend. She noticed there is nothing around the concession stand in either direction. She stated there is an area to contain the alcohol from the beach and park. She suggested consideration be made to allow the sale of wine and beer at that location.

Barry Williams noted the Resolution covers special permitting of alcohol and allows sanctioning to concessionaires to sell alcohol.

Phil Brougham asked when the Advisory Board will receive a copy of the Draft Master Plan.

Staff is scheduled to meet with Marla Ramsey on Friday. It will then go to the County Manager for review and the Consultant will present the Draft Master Plan at the January meeting.

Phil Brougham requested Staff provide a copy of the 136 page document after the Public Services Administrator and County Manager review to allow the Advisory Board some time to read.

Barry Williams noted this was Kerry Geroy's last meeting serving on the Advisory Board, expressed appreciation for her service and insights.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 3:35 PM.

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Chairman John P. Ribes	-
These Minutes were approved by the Committee/Board on) , as
presented or as amended	

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