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

Naples, Florida, April 16, 2014

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, Administration Building, Conference Room A, 15000 Livingston Road, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN: VICE CHAIR:

Edward "Ski" Olesky

Phil Brougham

Mary Bills John Fuchs

McMurdo Smith David Saletko

Vacancy

ALSO PRESENT:

Barry Williams, Director Parks and Recreation

Amanda Townsend, Director – Operations Support

Jeanine McPherson-Hogle, Regional Manager II

Nancy Olson, Regional Manager I Amanda Eberl, Administrative Assistant Margaret Bishop, Facilities Management Ron Holder, Senior Field Supervisor

Phil Montano, Golden Gate Community Center

Patricia Rosen, Senior Program Leader Hector Sanchez, Field Supervisor

#### I. Call to Order

**Chairman Olesky** called the meeting to order at 2:04 P.M. *A quorum was established.* 

### II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Invocation was held.

Mr. Fuchs arrived at 2:05 P.M.

### III. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Bills moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Second by Vice-Chairman Brougham.

Motion carried unanimously; 6 - 0.

### IV. Approval of March 19, 2014 Minutes

Mr. Fuchs moved to approve the March 19, 2014 Minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Bills.

Motion carried unanimously; 5 - 0.

Vice-Chairman Brougham abstained.

### V. Staff Highlights

### A. Employee of the Month - April

(Service will be honored at May meeting.)

### **B.** Marketing Report

**Peg Ruby** distributed the Summer R.E.A.L. Guide 2014 and the Marketing Report for April 2014 (See attached):

- Summer Camp registration began April 1, 2014. She noted camp registration was up 20% above last year at this time.
- The Ronto Group supports the Collier County Parks and Recreation "Bully Free Zones." The made a donation of children's books that will be distributed to all Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) students.
- Monday, April 21, Commissioner Donna Fiala and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Solomon of the Ronto Group will take part in presenting the books to the East Naples Community Park VPK Class of 2014.
  - Billy the Baaadly Behaving Bully Goat
  - The New Bear on the Block

**Chairman Olesky** suggested sharing books with all the elementary schools. He requested contact information to share with the Rotary Club. **Peg Ruby** will provide information to the Chairman.

#### C. Wheels Presentation by Phil Montano

**Barry Williams** gave Phil Montano brief introduction. **Phil Montano** gave a slide presentation "Naples BMX 2014 Summit Overview." He reported on:

- o Points of Emphasis
- Team Structures and Roles
- Track Re-build and Design
- New Rider Programs
- Rider Retention
- Memberships and Track Points
- Big Three Races
- Track Longevity

He ended presentation with statistics for 2013 and addressed all questions posed.

### D. Park Presentation - Sugden Sailing Program

Patricia Rosen, Senior Program Leader reported on Sugden Park Sailing Program. She noted Sugden Park completed the 10<sup>th</sup> Year of the "Special Needs Regatta."

- Special Needs Sailors 16
- Able-bodied Sailors (partnered special needs sailors) 7
- Program ends in May, depends on water level and is offered in the summer. Summer Program is currently 37% full.
- Special Needs Program run four (4) days a week.
- Abled-bodied Program runs five (5) days a week.
- Naples Yacht Club donating of 5 or 7 boats. The boats will be ablebodied boats to assist special needs sailors advance.

Discussion was made on floating docks.

### VI. New Business

- A. Parks and Recreation (PAR) Tourist Development Council (TDC) Projects Margaret Bishop gave updates on the following projects:
  - Tigertail Beach Sand Dollar Island Wild Life Observation Tower Phase II Construction

Nancy Olson explained the approval process.

She noted the site is nationally and internationally recognized for shore bird feeding, roosting and nesting area. It will provide residents and tourists with an opportunity to enjoy the benefits of this unique habitat by providing a handicap accessible wildlife observation tower.

❖ <u>Tigertail Beach Bathroom – Phase II Construction</u>

Margaret Bishop stated the existing bathroom facilities are inadequate to accommodate the visitors during peak season and high visitation days. The requested funds would be for Phase II of the project which includes engineering design/permitting and construction of the additional restroom. Barry Williams stated the project was planned and constructed through Coastal Zone Management. He received feedback from the City of Marco

Island Planning Commission. They recommended the addition of another bathroom to accommodate the hordes of people coming.

Nancy Olson stated visitors are using the restroom as a changing room. She talked about plans to enclose the area to the left of the restroom, for a

Seagate Bathroom Conceptual Study and Cost Estimate - Phase I Barry Williams stated he has received many requests to install basic facilities. The funds would be for Phase I of the project which includes engineering services in the form of a feasibility study to include design alternates, location, permitting requirements, casements, utility issues, parking, final conceptual design and construction cost estimate. It was suggested the word "feasibility" be stricken. Barry Williams agreed.

# Clam Pass Concession Area Decking

Margaret Bishop stated the existing deck has been in existence since 2000 and is well used by visitors. The deck is showing wear and tear and should be replaced. PAR has received complaints of people getting

Ms. Bills suggested Staff contact the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel for a contribution toward replacing the deck.

Barry Williams will approach Hunter Hanson of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel to see if a cost-share would be available.

Chairman Olesky suggested work be done during the summer to not interfere with the concession stand.

# Clam Pass Boardwalk Piling Study Phase I

The Clam Pass Boardwalk has been in existence since 1985. PAR has done some repairs and the boardwalk is constructed in a harsh marine environment and a closer look at the structure is needed. The requested funds are for Phase I of the project which includes engineering services in the form of a feasibility study. The study includes identifying issues with the structural integrity of the pilings and boardwalk, recommendations for repair, cost estimates and life expectancy.

### Barefoot Beach Parking Enhancements (Entrance)

Nancy Olson reported the Barefoot Beach entrance has an existing small toll booth that houses one attendant at the entrance to the park. A port-ajohn sits off to the side to accommodate Staff because the restroom facilities in the park are too far to access. PAR noted the entrance to the park is the first impression for the park and viewing a toll booth and a port-a-john image could be improved upon. PAR propose a combination toll booth with a restroom will eliminate the need for a port-a-john. The project includes the design, permitting and installation of a combination modular tool booth at the facility with parking lot and roadway improvements.

William Barry recommended requesting quotes prior to submitting to TDC.

**Barry Williams** asked for a recommendation from the Advisory Board directing Staff to approach the Waldorf Astoria Hotel to cost-share with the decking.

Vice-Chairman Brougham asked if the six (6) projects would be prioritized. Barry Williams responded there is enough money in reserves to do the projects.

Vice-Chairman Brougham moved to approve the projects as presented and recommended Staff be prepared for questions about, if you can't have them all; what are PAR priorities or what project has the most impact, to choose between projects if needed.

No Second.

**Barry Williams** reiterated the projects are all equal and there is money in reserves to do the projects.

Vice-Chairman Brougham moved to approve six (6) Collier County Tourist Development Council Category "A" Grant Applications for beach park facilities for Fiscal Year 2015 in the amount of \$900,000; the expenditures promote tourism.

Second by Ms. Bills Motion carried unanimously; 6 – 0.

### **B.** City of Naples TDC Projects

Staff provided a copy of a letter to Mr. Leo E. Ochs, Jr, County Manager, Collier County from Mr. William Moss, City of Naples Manager dated March 11, 2014, a letter to Mr. William Moss, City Manager, City of Naples from Leo E. Ochs Jr., County Manager dated March 26, 2014, and the City Council of the City of Naples, Florida Resolution 14-; a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Collier County Tourist Development Council Category "A" Grant Applications under the Beach Re-nourishment and Pass Maintenance Program; and providing an effective date. (Passed in open and regular session of the City Council of the City of Naples, Florida, this 19th day of March 2014.) Also provided: Collier County Tourist Development Council Category "A" Grant Application – 2015 Beach Re-nourishment and Pass Maintenance – Naples Beach Maintenance and Collier County Tourist Development Council Category "A" Grant Application - Naples Pier Inspection -Substructure, Naples Pier Structure Replacement Estimate and Pier Cost prepared by Ad Morgan Corporation. (See attached)

Amanda Townsend explained the City of Naples previously applied for a Category "A" Grant Application in the amount of \$200,000 for Naples beach maintenance. The \$200,000 was allocated in FY2013-14 for deck replacement to be requested for carryover and combined with request for Naples Pier Deck Replacement and Structural Renovation in the amount of \$892,449. She noted hurdles to granting the request to rollover \$200,000 are:

• Ordinance is specific about that allocation. A temporary revision will need to be made to the Ordinance. The County is prepared to work with the County Attorney's Office to make the temporary Ordinance revision.

 Fund 195 – Beach Re-nourishment does not have sufficient reserves to fund the project. There are sufficient reserves in Fund 183 – Beach Park Project to fund the project.

**Amanda Townsend** stated the plan is to meet the City's request to rollover \$200,000 into 2015 and make a request for an additional \$692,449 out of Fund 183. Fund 195 will repay Fund 183 at a rate of \$200,000 per year until Fund 183 is repaid. During the interim period, the City of Naples has agreed to not apply for a TDC Category "A" Grant for Naples Pier maintenance.

Joe Bataglia – City of Naples, Parks and Parkways Facilities Maintenance Supervisor noted the Naples Pier receives over 1 million visitors per year. Each year this number has increased annually at approximately 3.5 percent. All questions were addressed.

Mr. Smith moved to support advanced funding from Category "A" Beach Park Facilities (Fund 183) reserves for the Naples Pier. No Second.

Mr. Smith moved to request approval of the TDC Grant Application from the City of Naples, regarding Naples fishing pier deck replacement in the amount of \$692,000 from Fund 183 to be replenished by Fund 195. No Second.

Mr. Smith moved to support the agreement put forward by Mr. Ochs on March 26, 2014, as structured in his letter to Mr. Bill Moss. Second by Ms. Bills.

Motion carried unanimously; 6 - 0.

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** asked Staff to provide a list of what items must come before the PARAB as a requirement, or as a courtesy.

### C. Capital Projects Update – Facilities Management

Margaret Bishop gave a brief status report on the following:

- Eagle Lakes is ahead of schedule.
- Greenway Parkway is on schedule.
- Vanderbilt Beach Bathrooms is on schedule.

### VII. Old Business

### A. Adopt a Park Assignments

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** reported on East Naples Community, Port of the Islands, Paddle Park, Eagle Lakes and the 951 Boat Ramp. He provided Staff with the "Adopt a Park Survey" completed forms. (See attached)

- East Naples Community Park
  - o Date of Visit April 14, 2014, at 10:00 A.M.
  - Things to do to improve this location that could be done right away and that wouldn't cost a lot:
    - Repaint building interior

- Refinish benches by shuffleboard court
- Repaint pavilion no. 1.
- O Changes you would make in the long term that would have the biggest impact:
  - Build a maintenance building.
  - Renovate skatepark.

### Port of the Islands

- o Date of Visit April 14, 2014, at 10:45 A.M.
- Things to do to improve this location that could be done right away and that wouldn't cost a lot:
  - Replace or get rid of live bait wells. Insides were empty, water smelly and they are corroded.

**Nancy Olson** reported they were fixed. They fixed pipes and plumbing. Bait supplier replenishes bait wells.

- Changes you would make in the long term that would have the biggest impact:
  - Replace the vertical boards on men's restroom walls with tile; unsanitary despite cleaning.
  - 4 x 4 Brackets holding side roof are still rusted.

#### Paddle Park

- o Date of Visit April 14, 2014, at 1:45 P.M.
- Things to do to improve this location that could be done right away and that wouldn't cost a lot:
  - Treat all areas for weeds in gravel, pavers and walkways.
  - All fire extinguishers are out of date; inspected on December 2011.

#### Eagle Lakes

- o Date of Visit April 14, 2014, at 1:00 P.M.
- O Things to do to improve this location that could be done right away and that wouldn't cost a lot:
  - Eliminate "Warning 2 foot area around basketball court." Area is filled with sand between court and chain link fenced.
    - Suggestion was made to install grass in that area.
  - Clean basketball court once a week.
  - Eliminate mowers crossing basketball court.

### • 951 Boat Ramp

- o Date of Visit April 14, 2014, at 10:30 P.M.
- o Things to do to improve this location that could be done right away and that wouldn't cost a lot: Provide a port-a-potty.

  Staff noted a port-a-potty will be placed there from November to June. Plans are to run a line to the other side of 951. Two (2) pumps have been stolen. Staff is looking for a permanent solution.
- Changes you would make in the long term that would have the biggest impact: Install a restroom.

**Barry Williams** suggested he review the Collier County PAR Adopt a Park Issue Tracking report. He will respond to comments and bring back at next meeting.

### VIII. Directors Highlights

Barry Williams reported:

- Some issues with moving the PARAB meeting around to different locations are the VPK and After School Program are doing well and utilize rooms that may normally be available. It will not be easy at some locations to find a place to hold the PARAB Meeting.

  Staff will revisit meeting schedule, research and bring recommendations to the Board at the next meeting.
- John Ribes is doing well. PAR would like to recognize Mr. Ribes for his services in June.
  - **Barry Williams** will research whether Mr. Ribes recognition award for service over 10 years can be done at a BCC meeting.
- Mr. McMurdo Smith was presented the PAR "Volunteer of the Year Award" at the Volunteer Recognition Banquet.

# IX. Informational Items (None)

X. Public Comments/Board Member Comments

<u>Public Speakers</u>

Brad Muckel -CRA Advisory Committee Member

Doug Law – Naples resident

**NEXT MEETING:** 

Regular Meeting: May 21, 2014

Location: North Collier Regional Park, Administration Building, Conference Room A, 15000 Livingston Road is scheduled for 2:00 P.M.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the Chairman at 4:12 P.M.

COLLIER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman Ski Olesky

These Minutes were approved by the Committee/Board on May 21, 3014, as presented X or as amended \_\_\_\_.