

NORTH BREVARD COMMISSION ON PARKS & RECREATION

Minutes of the regular meeting of the North Brevard Commission on Parks & Recreation (NBCPR), an advisory board, held Thursday, May 14, 2009, in the Brevard Room of the Brevard County Government Complex-North.

Members Present

Ted Beck, Chairman
Dr. Ron Bobay, Vice Chairman
Rev. Vernor Clay
Rev. Glenn Dames
Barry Gainer
Dick Gossett
George Newman

Members Absent

Jan Alwine
Neta Harris

City of Titusville Elected Officials/Staff Present

Grace Galiano, Redevelopment Planner

Brevard County Staff Present

Kathie England, Administrative Aide to Commissioner Fisher
Terry A. Lane, North Area Parks Operations Manager
John Dacus, Parks Maintenance Superintendent
Jeff Davis, Jr., Recreation Superintendent
Richard L. Tucci, Recreation Superintendent
Michelle Summers, Area Finance Manager
Chuck Mays, Construction Coordinator
Judy Inman, Administrative Secretary

I. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER & ROLL CALL

Chairman Ted Beck called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed the City's new appointee Rev. Vernor Clay. Terry Lane reported Neta Harris had a meeting conflict and Jan Alwine was out of town. George Newman arrived during the construction report.

Motion by Barry Gainer, seconded by Glenn Dames, to excuse the absences.

AYE: Beck, Bobay, Clay, Dames, Gainer, Gossett

NAY: None **Carried 6-0**

II. PUBLIC COMMENT (items not appearing elsewhere on the agenda)—None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Glenn Dames, seconded by Barry Gainer, to approve the minutes of April 9, 2009, with any necessary corrections if there be any.

AYE: Beck, Bobay, Clay, Dames, Gainer, Gossett

NAY: None **Carried 6-0**

IV. REFERENDUM & OTHER PROJECTS

A. Reports—Terry Lane drew attention to printed information on the A. Max Brewer Bridge project. Chuck Mays reported on changes not identified on the construction report.

- Parrish Park—Titusville boat docks contract was approved with Canaveral Construction who is in the process of getting materials. Also, plans were submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers who will consider the project maintenance/repair.
- Pritchard House—The loose lead-based paint is almost finished being scrapped off the exterior and it is hoped the painters will start next week.
- Titusville Veterans' Memorial Fishing Pier test pile driving begins next week.

Mr. Mays and Mr. Lane answered several questions for Dick Gossett. The Marina Park permitting process continues and staff hopes to receive approval on the latest comments. Road & Bridge is scheduled to start toward the end of June, which hopefully will coincide with the permitting, and should not be affected by layoffs as they are being established as an enterprise operation. The reason for the time taken for permitting is that the site is going from one to three boat ramps. If the Marr property negotiations are completed for about 10 acres with access from U.S. 1 and to the rail trail, it will be on the June NBCPR agenda. The deadline is to have it to the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) by July 7.

B. North Brevard Referendum Projects

Terry Lane noted questions as to the cost for the Cuyler Park pavilion with kitchen and restroom came up at previous meetings. Adding the kitchen and restrooms about doubles the cost of a pavilion. The \$473,000 includes infrastructure, building the pavilion, and making it ADA compliant. Because gas kitchen appliances will be used, upgrading the electrical transformer won't be required which will allow the County to retain the special sports field lighting rate with FPL rather than paying the much higher demand meter rate.

Mr. Lane reported a draft of the request for proposal for the pier concession is being taken to the City for review, to the BoCC on July 7, and will go to the street immediately thereafter. The NBCPR needs to appoint a member and alternate for the selection committee.

Motion by Dick Gossett, seconded by George Newman, to appoint Barry Gainer to the Titusville Veterans' Memorial Fishing Pier concession selection committee.

AYE: Beck, Bobay, Clay, Dames, Gainer, Gossett, Newman

NAY: None **Carried 7-0**

Motion by Glenn Dames, seconded by Barry Gainer, to appoint Vernor Clay as alternate to the Titusville Veterans' Memorial Fishing Pier concession selection committee.

AYE: Beck, Bobay, Clay, Dames, Gainer, Gossett, Newman

NAY: None **Carried 7-0**

Mr. Mays reported the BoCC approved naming the entrance to Chain of Lakes off U.S. Highway 1, Truman Scarborough Way.

Mr. Mays and Mr. Lane answered questions from Mr. Gossett and Rev. Clay regarding the pier. The \$1.78 million paid to date is for building the concession and other expenses such as engineering, etc. The contractor, Shoreline Foundation, Inc., bid \$2.7 million so there is some cushioning for unexpected expenses. Currently \$3.1 million is available. Honeycutt & Associates was the A&E of record for the North Brevard Referendum project at the pier and when the A&E for pier replacement left, Honeycutt subcontracted with DRMP to keep the project moving forward. Subsequently the County entered into a separate agreement with DRMP and Honeycutt is no longer involved in the project.

Chairman Beck reported that everything he discussed with the Commissioner is on the agenda today.

V. OLD BUSINESS

In response to an inquiry from Dick Gossett regarding a meeting about ADA requirements for the fishing pier, Mr. Lane reported the concrete railing height has not changed as of today. Per code, it is at 42 inches for 100% of the pier.

Chairman Beck reported he and Mr. Lane appeared before Titusville CRA and \$40,000 was awarded for the Pritchard House exterior renovation.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Recreation Partner Application from Scottsmoor Community Association, Inc.—Mr. Lane gave background information on the old Fire Station #20 on Magoon Avenue in Scottsmoor which the Scottsmoor Community Association (SCA) had been using for meetings, community gatherings, and was used as a poling place for voting. When the County built the new station #21 on U.S. 1, the SCA requested the old building be renovated for their use which Commissioner Scarborough supported. The cost was about \$300,000. SCA was involved in the planning for the renovation/expansion and reviewed construction as it progressed. The facility will be used for community functions. Mr. Lane reviewed the recreation partner procedure for non-profit organizations and enumerated

North Area recreation partners who provide services as volunteers that the County does not have staff to provide. As with all recreation partners, the County will have first priority, particularly in times of emergency, SCA has second, and all others have third priority. SCA will schedule use of the facility, and money received from use fees and fund raising will be used to pay for insurance, electricity, internal maintenance, minor repairs, and operational bills. SCA is reviewing the Parks & Recreation fee schedule to establish user fees for staff to review. There is a no discrimination clause in the agreement. Mr. Lane explained the difference with Little Leagues is that currently they only pay for lights, but not for use of the concession building. Starting in October, organizations may have to pay all the direct costs.

Marieanne Syverson, president of SCA, requested approval as a recreation partner to provide a place for community events and meetings, a poling place, and other community purposes such as a place for the Sheriff's Office for community watch, senior citizen dinners and events, classes such as self defense and gardening, children's activities, other community needs, speakers such as politicians and other guests for information for the community. SCA wants to provide more accessible activities for children and senior citizens. She stated appreciation for the generous offer of a reduction in electrical bill reimbursement until October and to Chuck Mays for his work on the renovation.

Motion by Ron Bobay, seconded by Barry Gainer, to approve Scottsmoor Community Association, Inc., as a recreation partner.

AYE: Beck, Bobay, Clay, Dames, Gainer, Gossett, Newman

NAY: None **Carried 7-0**

VII. REPORTS

- A. Advisory Board Members on Assigned Parks—Terry Lane drew attention to the list of current assignments. It was agreed to make new assignments a June agenda item.
- B. City of Titusville Report—No report.
- C. North Area Parks Operations Staff—Mr. Lane noted this is the busiest time of the year for staff as the grass grows fast and hundreds of kids are in programs at over 10 summer recreation sites and aquatics.

Chairman Beck reported staff is working on the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Titusville that will be presented to the NBCPR in the future.

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted M. Beck, Chairman

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