

**CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA
REGULAR MEETING
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Monday, May 12, 2014 in the Commission Chambers Kitchen, 2345 Providence Boulevard, Deltona, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mrs. Bernice Ludvick, Chairperson.

2. ROLL CALL:

Chair	Bernice Ludvick	Present
Vice Chair	Julio DeLeon	Present
Board Member	Krista Ferguson	Excused
Board Member	Kay Gardner	Excused
Board Member	Nathan Johnson	Present
Board Member	James W. Ruth	Present
Board Member	Lonnie Wilson	Present

Also present: Steve Moore, Director, Parks and Recreation and Marlene Brown, Board Secretary.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Minutes:

1. Meeting – January 13, 2014

Motion by Lonnie Wilson, seconded by Nathan Johnson to adopt the minutes of the Regular Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of January 13, 2014 as written.

Motion carried with members voting as follows: Bernice Ludvick, For; Julio DeLeon, For; Nathan Johnson, For; James Ruth, For and Lonnie Wilson, For.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The members were given copies of the following flyers: Wes Crile Splash Pad week end hours for the month of May and the full schedule beginning June 2014; The Flow Mobile's May schedule and the Bee Healthy flyer for the event coming up on June 7th.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no one from the public present for this meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

A. There was no old business to be discussed.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Information/Updates – Steve Moore:

Mr. Moore told the members that the Splash Pad at Wes Crile had been resurfaced and said that the budget process for the new fiscal year was under way.

He also told them that the concert series at the Deltona Amphitheater had started again in April and will run through October.

Mr. Moore explained about the ribbon cutting ceremony on May 14th at 4:30 p.m. with the City and the Early Learning Coalition for the Born Learning Trail that was going to be installed at the Harris Saxon Community Center, to benefit the younger children who visited the park. He stated that this would be the only one of its kind currently in Volusia County.

He also reminded them that at the January meeting Jerry Mayes had talked about Eco-tourism and what was happening in the City from a commercial standpoint. Mr. Moore advised that some things would be put in the budget for the next fiscal year regarding trail development and one area for potential development was Beechdale, a 35 acre plot, which is off Ft. Smith. Mr. Moore used a map as a visual for the members' benefit. He said it was originally a proposed site for the all-inclusive playground, but after the 2004-2005 hurricane season it had served as a collection point for debris. He said this property has a variety of lakes and birds and the City would be partnering with the Audubon Society regarding bird watching as a segment of our society does get into bird watching. He said we will be looking at other properties as well but these will be done in phases.

Mr. Moore also talked about the East Central Rail Trail's "Bluefield Planner" and said that would be a good place for a trailhead for a park as it backs up to the rail trail. Another proposed site was near Sigma Lake where the power line runs through the City and nearby Brewster/Cooper as potential trailheads.

He also suggested that he would have Chris Bowley, the Director for Planning and Development Services, come to the next meeting to speak to them about the development of these lands.

Mr. Moore stated that he was getting ready to put in an Echo Grant for a football field at Dwight Hawkins. Mr. Ruth asked if we were going to do anything with the property on Outtrigger and Mr. Moore responded no, as there would be no return on the City's investment.

8. DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Moore advised that Dupont Lakes has been on the market for sale and that an offer had been made by a developer who was now doing due diligence. He said Elkcam and Howland is a major corridor.

9. MEMBERS COMMENTS:

- a. Mr. Wilson thanked Mr. Moore for keeping them abreast of what is going on in the City.
- b. Mrs. Ludvick said she is impressed with the insight and foresight that Parks & Recreation has for the residents. She said the residents are not aware of what is going on. She also thanked Mr. Moore for the updates and for what his department is doing.
- c. Mr. Ruth announced that it was with regret that he had to resign from this board after 6 years of service, effective after the June 9th meeting, due to several health and family issues. He apologized to his fellow members and to Mr. Moore for having to resign and he enjoyed serving on this board.

All the members expressed their regret at Mr. Ruth's upcoming resignation and hoped to see him at the next meeting in June.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting date is scheduled for Monday, June 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers Kitchen.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Lonnie Wilson, seconded by Nathan Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Bernice Ludvick, For; Julio DeLeon, For; Kay Gardner, For; Krista Ferguson, For; and Lonnie Wilson, For.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Bernice Ludvick, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Steve Moore, Director