AGENDA
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF PORT ORANGE

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2015
Type of Meeting: Regular

Time: 5:00 PM
Location: Second Floor Conference Room
City Hall, 1000 City Center Circle

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Consideration of Minutes

C. OLD BUSINESS

3. Co-Sponsored Teams (Soccer Club)
4. Kayak Launch at Spruce Creek
5. Current demands of Community Centers vs. Sports Complex
6. Property liquidation - behind Sumner Hardware
7. Foundation

D. PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F. BOARD COMMENTS

G. NEXT MEETING DATE

8. August 11, 2015

H. ADJOURNMENT

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL – SECOND FLOOR – CONFERENCE ROOM NO. 2
1000 CITY CENTER CIRCLE
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 17, 2015 @ 5:00 P.M.

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board was called to order by Chairman Wiles at 5:07 p.m.

Present:	Jack Wiles, Chairman John Cameron, Vice Chairman Sean Maroney (arrived late) Aime Bischoff Marc Campbell (arrived late) Maria Mills-Benat Mark Bowling Dianne Gardner
Absent:	Patricia Barraco (Excused) Michael Collins (Excused)
Also Present:	Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director Tim Burman, Senior Planner Barbara Abbate, City Clerk's Office

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Member Mills-Benat to nominate Member Wiles for Chairman, seconded by Member Bowling. Member Wiles accepted the nomination. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion was made by Member Bowling to nominate Member Cameron for Vice Chairman, seconded by Member Mills-Benat. Member Cameron accepted the nomination. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. September 16, 2014

Member Cameron said he had one thing he would like changed in the minutes from the September 16, 2014 meeting, on page 2 where it states that "Chairman Wiles asked if it was too late ~~know~~ now for competitive bids." Barbara Abbate, City Clerk's office said she would make that change.

2. October 27, 2014 Special Meeting

   Motion made by Member Cameron to approve the minutes as amended for the meeting held September 16, 2014 and the meeting held October 27, 2014, Seconded by Member Bowling. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Wiles said Tim Burman, Senior Planner would like to talk to the Board. Mr. Burman said the City belongs to the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) which provides an opportunity to apply for grants and funding for different types of projects. Staff will be applying for sidewalk sections that run off recreational trails. Some of the projects that are being funded by the TPO are the sidewalk on Herbert Street in front of the elementary school and the Sidewalk on Spruce Creek Road. The City pays for 10% of the construction design cost and federal funds pay for the remaining construction cost. Mr. Burman asked if the Board had any recommendations for any sidewalk segments that need constructing. Chairman Wiles said there are some areas that the Board has talked about. Williamson Blvd. between Willow Run Blvd. and the Pavilion there is no sidewalk. He also said Ridgewood Avenue to Spruce Creek Road needs to be replaced. Chairman Wiles said Farmbrook from Nova Road to US 1 there is no sidewalk and one should be installed. Member Cameron said between Crane Lakes and Forest Lake Preserve heading west on Taylor Road. Mr. Burman said Taylor Road is a county road but he will add it to the list because sometimes the county will partner with the City. Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director, said there is also Cross Town Trail which will go from Riverwalk to Coraci Park and runs along the power lines. She believes that should be added to the list for funding.

Chairman Wiles invited Mr. Burman back to give the Board an update on the progress. Mr. Burman said the application is due in April and he will review everything to see if all the information is in order. If something needs to be pushed back it will be put on next year's application.

B. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>

3. Port Orange Soccer Club

Mike Woelfle, President of Port Orange Soccer Club, said Port Orange Soccer Club was founded in 1996. He said four years ago the Port Orange Soccer Club was eight teams and approximately 80 players, now they are 27 teams and 350 players for the spring season. He said from 1997 to date Port Orange hasn't added any soccer fields. Mr. Woelfle asked for the Board's guidance, support, suggestions, and advice on a partnership with the City. The goal would be to increase the soccer fields in the City of Port Orange. Mr. Woelfle thanked Pop Warner for what they have done out at Coraci multi-purpose field. Chairman Wiles said this Board has already decided that recreation will come first and if there is room for completive teams after recreation needs are met that would be fine. Chairman Wiles asked Mr. Woelfle what the Soccer Club will be bringing to the table as far as a partnership with the City. Mr. Woelfle said with any facility built for soccer the Soccer Club wouldn't exclude the recreation participating children. He said the fields that are being used for recreation are not regulation fields, lined correctly or soccer dedicated. He believes that impacts the recreation quality. Mr. Woelfle has talked to the City about fencing Southwinds once the improvements are done. Something else the Soccer Club has talked to the City about is future maintenance on an annual base like lawn mowing or whatever is needed. Mr. Woelfle said once there is a plan in place the Soccer Club can be very effective in raising money for ongoing maintenance. He said there is no goal for the Soccer Club to attack.

Member Campbell said they have to bring something to the table other than hopes, wishes, and dreams. He said Pop Warner brought $40,000 to the table for Coraci along with plans to bring more money. When partnership is talked about it is two ways. Pop Warner has been in Port Orange for 25 years and just got a field this year. Member Campbell believes an organization needs to bring something to the table for the City to believe in that organization and have a partnership going in down the road.

Member Mills-Benat agreed with Member Campbell that the Soccer Club needs to bring something to the table for the City. She said if the City builds the Sports Complex maybe the Soccer Club could say they would like some soccer fields there and in exchange the soccer club will help with something to make it easier for the City to maintain. Member Mills-Benat believes that is what City Council and the Board would like to hear.

Member Bowling asked Ms. Lovallo if there are any parks that could accommodate the construction of soccer fields. Ms. Lovallo said they have accommodated the Soccer Club with providing fields for practice. Member Bowling asked about the status of the plans for the complex on Shuntz Road. He believed there would be soccer fields there. Ms. Lovallo said nothing is funded. It is still in the capital plan and the Board will be meeting with City Council to talk about what to do with the Sports Complex.

Chairman Wiles said this Board looked at every sport and came up with a priority list. He said soccer wasn't on that list because there are enough fields to accommodate the children in recreation. Chairman Wiles asked if the land was set aside for the Soccer Club to build a Sports Complex could they raise $1,000,000 or $2,000,000. Mr. Woelfle said he has no doubt if they had the land to work with they could develop a complex. Chairman Wiles believes there should be some property out at the well fields put aside until the Soccer Club can develop a complex.

Aidan Davison, Aidan Davison Soccer Academy, said his organization would also work with the City. He said the organization would like to bring a semi-pro soccer franchise for Volusia County to this complex. Chairman Wiles said this Board needs all of that information because some of the well fields land is owned jointly by the City and the County. Chairman Wiles believes if this complex will benefit all of Volusia County that would help with the county releasing there portion of the land to build the complex.

Shailesh Patel, DMC Engineer, said today's meeting was to get a clear understanding of what this Board needs from the Soccer Club and Aidan Davison Soccer Academy so they can put this plan in motion. He said soccer is the most played sport in all age brackets in the United States.

Chairman Wiles asked that they bring an estimate, a plan, the timeline, and how the money will be raised to the next Board meeting.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. Recap of Park Plan/recommendations of Board

- Joint Meeting with City Council March 2014

Chairman Wiles said what was talked about was the foundation, inventory and evaluation of parks & fields. We need to know where the funds would go if parks are sold. The Sports complex that was talked about with City Council was projected for 2016.

- Board presentations in August & September 2014

Chairman Wiles said the following are this Board's priorities as determined in August 2014:

1. Community Center
2. Linear parks
3. Park expansion, consolidation to include fields.
4. Liquidate underused parks.
5. Foundation.

Chairman Wiles asked the Board if the priorities had changed at all. The Board agreed the top priorities have not changed.

- Previous recommendations
- Outstanding projects/commitments

D. NEW BUSINESS

5. Future plans/recommendations, where do we go from here?

- 1 year plan

1. Linear Parks
2. Budgeting for first Community Center
3. Foundation
4. Spruce Creek Kayak launch
5. Park consolidation liquidation

- 3 year plan

1. Sports Complex
2. Breaking ground on first Community Center

- 5 year plan

1. Community Center up and running.

Ms. Lovallo said it might be a good idea to convert the gym into one of the community centers. She said the office staff doesn't have to be located in that building.

6. Alcohol at Events

Ms. Lovallo said she wanted to bring this to the Board to see if there was anything the Board didn't agree with. She has provided the Board with the code that will need to change and the application. Ms. Lovallo said the application reflects what is required by the State of Florida to get a permit to sell alcohol. Ms. Lovallo said this will be going before City Council for two readings and she wanted the Board to see it before City Council. The Board agreed with Ms. Lovallo.

7. Dates and time for 2015 meetings and Joint meeting with City Council proposed dates.

Ms. Lovallo provided the Board with two options for meetings, every other month and quarterly. She also said the meetings will be changed from the third Tuesday to the second Tuesday. Chairman Wiles believes quarterly meetings would be fine. He said there will be special meetings if needed. The Board agreed to the second Tuesday and quarterly meetings with special meetings as needed.

Motion made by Member Campbell to change meetings to the second Tuesday of the month and to meet quarterly, Seconded by Member Maroney. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

E. <u>PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u> (Susan Lovallo)

Ms. Lovallo advised that the Code of Ordinances does not address park hours. The Police Department can't do anything if there isn't an ordinance. The City Attorney's office is working on that ordinance and it will read park hours are as posted.

F. <u>BOARD MEMBERS / STAFF COMMENTS</u>

There was none.

G. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion made by Member Campbell, Seconded by Member Maroney to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:29 p.m.

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Chairman Wiles