

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
DOROTHY L. HUKILL CITY CENTER ANNEX
1395 DUNLAWTON AVENUE
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
JANUARY 19, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board was called to order by Chairman Bowling at 5:15 p.m.

Present: Mark Bowling, Chairman
Maria Mills-Benat
James Richard Jr
Shawn Holmes
Bobby Ball

Absent: John Cameron (unexcused)
Michael Navarra (unexcused)

Also Present: Peter Ferreira, Interim Parks & Recreation Director
Shelby Field, Assistant City Clerk

B. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Member Mills-Benat to nominate Member Bowling for Chairman and Member Ball for Vice Chair and Seconded by Member Richard. Chairman Bowling and Vice Chair Ball accepted the nominations. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Consideration of Minutes - October 20, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes with an amendment to correct Member Shawn Holmes being listed as present from October 20, 2020 was made by Member Mills-Benat and Seconded by Vice Chair Ball. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. Presentation by the City Forester on Tree City

Steve Edgar, City Forester, provided information on Tree City to the Board and asked for direction on placing Tree City signs in the City. The Board would like to see the signs at each entrance to the City.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman Ball to recommend sign placement at every entrance

to the City and Seconded by Mills-Benat.
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Edgar provided a handout with information to the virtual Tree City USA Conference February 10th, 17th and 24th 2021 that the Board is able to attend for free due to the City's status as a Tree City USA.

Mr. Edgar asked for direction from the Board for future tree planting. The Board discussed possible options and will discuss them further at the April 20, 2021 meeting.

4. Review Comp Master Plan

Penelope Cruz, Planning Manager, reviewed the process for updating the City's Comprehensive Master Plan, some things to consider if the Board plans on creating a Parks Comprehensive Plan and answered questions from the Board.

Chairman Bowling believes it would be a good idea to get parks involved in the update of the Comprehensive Master Plan for the City. The Board agrees and would like to be involved with the update process.

Robert Reinhausen, Citizen, asked where he could find the Comprehensive Master Plan. Mrs. Cruz stated it is on the website.

5. Future Park Planning

Chairman Bowling asked the Members of the Board what they would like to see for the Parks/City in the future. The board listed a few things they would like to see the city do in the future such as a sports complex, a new community center, and growth out west.

6. 2021 Proposed Meeting Dates

The Board agreed to keep the meeting schedule as is with Special Meetings as needed.

7. Items for Next Agenda

Review Parks Department Assessment of Parks with Tree Needs

Future Park Planning in the Comprehensive Master Plan

Review and Discuss City Maps

D. PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Peter Ferreira, Interim Parks & Recreation Director, informed the Board of the recent changes in staffing with Susan Lovallo, Parks and Recreation Director, becoming Interim Assistant City Manager and his current role as Interim Parks and Recreation Director.

Mr. Ferreira reviewed maps of the City with current park locations and discussed possible areas the City can acquire for new parks. He updated the Board on the progress with the Airport Road playground replacement and the gym renovation to the rec center. Mr. Ferreira also informed the Board the City is applying for a Racing and Rec grant for the indoor playground.

Mr. Ferreira provided a few housekeeping items regarding current contract changes.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Reinhagen asked about the grant for the playground and if that affects the city's plan. Mr. Ferreira responded no.

F. BOARD COMMENTS

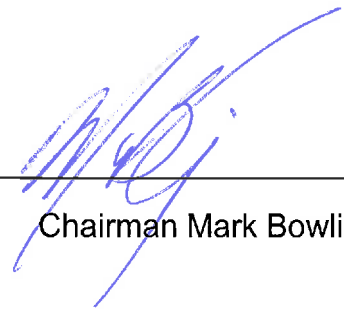
There were none.

G. NEXT MEETING DATE

8. Next Meeting Date: April 20, 2021

H. ADJOURNMENT – 6:10 p.m.

9. Report to City Council - January 19, 2021



Chairman Mark Bowling