

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL
May 12, 2014

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Vogelgesang at approximately 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Steven M. Engel
Dennis R. Frisch
Robert K. Rollins, Jr.
Earl L. Starkoff
Susan Vogelgesang

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

David Johnson

792 Camino Lakes Circle, Boca Raton

Mr. Johnson advised that the City has slated 2019 for funding improvements to the south side of Hillsboro El Rio Park. To move the project forward, he asked the Board to consider participating with the City in funding the improvements.

Arthur Bernstein

4845 Hunters Way, Boca Raton

Mr. Bernstein expressed concern about the amount of trash left behind by Boca Jets Football, Lacrosse and visiting teams at Patch Reef Park. Food trucks parked in the parking area have limited the patron parking. More people are utilizing the perimeter area; grilling on the sidelines. Additional trash bins have been installed, but the park is still being abused. He offered three solutions: 1) institute a league clean-up deposit; 2) revoke field use privileges if a league is not policing their spectators; and 3) determine if the intensive field use is appropriate for the park.

Mr. Koski will investigate the matter.

Glen Gromann

2201 N Corporate Blvd., Boca Raton

Mr. Gromann noted that DeHoernle Park has one access and ingress off of Spanish River Blvd. To alleviate traffic on Spanish River Blvd. he suggested a second entrance into the park be constructed at Potomac Road and Military Trail. Additionally, he requested a copy of the Phase II site plan. To provide more transparency, he suggested that District meetings be held at City Hall where they can be televised.

Commissioner Starkoff advised that Phase II will include a second park entrance at Banyan Trail and Military Trail. An entrance at Potomac Road and Military Trail was considered; however, it was not feasible due to infringement of the Northern Trust property on the south side and a commercial building on the north side.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

Discussion:

Commissioner Engel requested an expansion of the context of his comments made under *Boca Raton Children's Museum*, page 3: "He does not want to establish a precedent whereby other entities would seek funding from the District".

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Starkoff to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21, 2014 as amended.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

**1. Presentation by Mickey Gomez, City of Boca Raton Recreation Services Director
Re: Ad Hoc Committee**

Mr. Gomez gave an update on the Athletic Ad Hoc Board which was convened to address sport field allocations by user groups. The Ad Hoc Board met in January and April 2014 with all of the youth sports associations. Each of the youth sport organizations will review the minutes for accuracy, and once approved, Mr. Gomez will share the information with the District prior to submission to the Parks and Recreation Board and the Boca Raton City Council. A consensus was reached among the youth associations on field allocations; definition of a registered participant and roster validation. He provided information on Recreation Services "Departmental Successes 2013".

Commissioner Rollins expressed concern about the "grievance" procedure whereby documentation would be required if a youth sports group challenges another sports group regarding field allocation. Considering that most registration is done on-line, some sports groups may not have the specific documentation that may be required. With limited facilities, the time on the fields that programs require is also an issue. As new programs develop, existing groups that have run successful programs in the community for many years should not be penalized.

Commissioner Engel felt that the issue of "who is a resident" (City/District taxpayer and/or City/District corporation employees) needs to be determined.

Commissioner Starkoff suggested that the District schedule a workshop to discuss policy guidelines. To assist in the endeavor, Mr. Gomez will provide a census for each of the sport organizations that divide their population between District & non-District residents. Commissioner Starkoff felt that the rights of "property owners" (taxpayers, not residents) needs to be addressed. Palm Beach County GIS data could be utilized to collect fees or establish a park pass. As elected officials, the Board has the experience to establish policy guidelines whereby City staff and its advisory board could develop implementation procedures for submission to the Boca Raton City Council.

2. Approval of Northern Trust Resolutions

Mr. Koski provided resolutions establishing a District account at Northern Trust. He recommends approval.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the Northern Trust resolutions.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Approval of Amendment to Leathers & Associates Agreement

Mr. Koski furnished the subject agreement which insures that Certificates of Insurance provided by Leathers & Associates will name and contain the name of the District as an additional insured. He recommends approval.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Starkoff to execute the Amendment to Leathers & Associates Agreement.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

4. Zimmer Consultants Presentation – Swim & Racquet Center Renovations

Mr. Zimmer gave an update on the status of the subject renovation project: evaluating the expansion of the Tennis Pro Shop; contacting homeowner associations to the north and south of the project for their input; contacted the South Florida Water Management District to determine their requirements and limitations on the landscape buffer zones. He reviewed the proposed design features.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the invoices as presented totaling \$39,160.38.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Interim Executive Director

Budget Discussions

Mr. Koski advised that preliminary budget discussions will commence at the regular Board meetings of June 2 and June 16.

Patch Reef Park

District Information Supervisor Briann Harms will meet with Motre' representatives at the park on May 13th to inspect the site.

Red Reef Park Project

Mr. Koski has contacted the consultant, Mr. Mike Kroll of Miller-Legg, and will provide him with an updated contract proposal form for the consulting agreement. Negotiations regarding the fee will commence shortly.

Children's Science Playground

Mr. Koski furnished a tentative specification to Leathers & Association for their review. They are currently in the process of formulating design plans. He anticipates receiving drawings and tentative final specifications within 45 days. The project should be under construction during the summer months.

Agronomist Report

Mr. Koski will furnish the final report of Dr. Busey to the Board.

Don Estridge Middle School

Commissioner Frisch requested Mr. Koski to meet with Mr. Gomez and Mr. Parks regarding the relationship and lack of cooperation with Don Estridge school officials.

Gumbo Limbo Pumps

Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired about the status of the pumps and interpretative exhibits at Gumbo Limbo.

Mr. Buddy Parks, City of Boca Raton Deputy Recreation Director, advised that he has not yet received a work order proposal from the engineer.

Mr. Koski will follow-up with the project engineer. He advised that the interpretative exhibits will be procured once the pump issues have been resolved.

District Counsel - None

Commissioners

Resident/Non-Resident Policy Decision

Commissioner Starkoff would like this item placed on the May 19th agenda. He requested the following items: 1) M. Gomez - census information on sport organizations population of resident/non-resident participants; 2) A. Koski – guidance on issues dealing with organizations that are taxpayers; 3) A. Koski/R. Pawa/B. Harms - utilization of the County's GIS data;

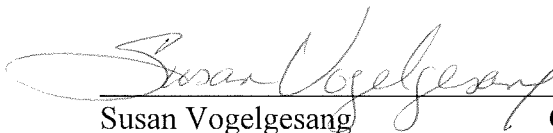
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- May 19- Discussion of Resident/Non-Resident Policy
- June 2 - Commence 2014-2015 Budget Discussions


ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED



 Susan Vogelgesang Chairman



 Earl L. Starkoff Secretary-Treasurer