

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL
November 3, 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:

Gabriel Banfi

2121 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton

Mr. Banfi informed the Board about two disturbances taking place at Ocean Strand: 1) on the west side, 4-wheel drive vehicles are gaining access to the site and causing damage to the turf, and 2) the huge boulders placed on the east side to prevent beach user parking have been moved creating an illegal parking area. He documented the issues on his phone.

Michele Peel

7391 NE 8 Court, Boca Raton

Ms. Peel advised that two new pumps have arrived on site but have not yet been connected. She noted the many new construction requests the Board has received. Before committing to any major capital outlays for new construction, she asked that the Board obtain the remainder of the input on the Red Reef Park Project, as well as some of the other projects, to determine the full suite of potential expenditures as opposed to approving one request at a time.

Tom Thayer

4821 N. Dixie Highway, Boca Raton

Mr. Thayer credited Mr. Mickey Gomez and his staff for cutting back the sea grapes at the Red Reef Park lagoon. Referencing both the Red Reef Park Project and the Patch Reef Park Project, he felt that there was no consensus on the Board as to what should be developed and what would be acceptable on those properties. He noted the City's process with regard to the Wildflower property, and how they incorporated ideas into the RFP. He suggested the Board consider advertising a public field trip to Patch Reef Park to garner input. Additionally, he extended an invitation to the Board to attend the Boca Raton Federation of Homeowners Association meeting at the Boca Raton Community Center on November 4th at 8:30 a.m. – Topic: School Board issues.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Frisch to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 20, 2014.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Consultant Agreement for Artificial Turf Analysis

Mr. Koski provided an addendum to the Motre' Cost Analysis Amendment which includes the team of Stantec as sub-consultants. Stantec's scope of work will be separate and apart from the amended master plan for Patch Reef Park and will be limited to a report on artificial turf vs. natural grass issues. The report will be a joint collaboration of Stantec and Motre, and will be issued with both Motre and Stantec as contributors to the report. He recommends approval of the addendum.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the October 29, 2014 addendum by Motre as outlined in the November 3, 2014 agenda packet.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

2. Approval of St. Mark Church Reciprocal Use Agreement

Mr. Koski proposed a one-year extension to the Reciprocal Use Agreement regarding parking facilities at the Church and Patch Reef Park and recommends approval.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the St. Mark Church Modification and Extension to Reciprocal Use Agreement for the year ending December 19, 2015.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Swim & Racquet Center – Update

Mr. Koski advised that Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Mummaw have provided a schedule for the Swim & Racquet Center Project: City site plan approval is anticipated the beginning of March; completion of all programming activities of the tennis/swim centers & maintenance facility sometime in December; schematic design with the finite detail of all the master plan elements to be completed in February; District approval in March; permitting to take place May/June; construction phase of 12 months envisioned.

Commissioner Starkoff inquired as to when the construction documents would be available. Mr. Koski responded sometime in April.

Field House Discussion

Mr. Koski stated that the need for a second field house has been discussed over the years. He would like the opportunity to undertake an "in-house" review with Assistant Director Briann Harms to determine if such a facility could be accommodated at Sugar Sand Park. It needs to be determined if the facility envisioned could be located on the site of the existing outdoor basketball courts, and whether it makes both technical and economic sense to incorporate the existing field house with a second field house and connect it to the community center.

Commissioner Frisch favors the in-house investigation as no funds would need to be expended. He felt that part of the investigation should determine if the parking and traffic could accommodate such a facility. As the Board is currently reviewing all of its facilities, it is timely that a second field house location be explored. He believes it is the right thing to do for the growth of the program and the usage of other programs, not specifically for the High 5 Program, but because of the current high usage of the existing facility.

Commissioner Starkoff supports the exploration of a second field house. Parking could be added at Sugar Sand Park; however, more than one possible site for the facility should be investigated.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

<p><u>MOTION</u> was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the invoices as presented totaling \$32,158.14.</p>

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director

Patch Reef Park Athletic Fields Public Meeting

Mr. Koski advised that he will chair the subject meeting scheduled for November 12, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Maple Room in the Community Center at Sugar Sand Park. The meeting will be an information gathering session to hear input from the public. Invitations have been sent to all of the user groups, City staff members and the media.

Science Playground

Mr. Koski has reviewed the specifications and technical documents for the science playground and will meet with the consultants on November 7th to make the necessary corrections. He anticipates being ready to go out to bid by November 21.

Red Reef Park Project

At the November 17th Board meeting, Miller Legg will update the Board on their preliminary observations at Red Reef Park.

District Board Meeting

Note: The District Board meeting scheduled for December 1, 2014 has been rescheduled for December 8, 2014; same time and place.

District Counsel - None

Commissioners

Field House A/C Chillers

Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired about the status of the chillers at the field house. Mr. Koski responded that the chillers are ready to be acquired through a state approved purchasing agency. The installation will take place sometime in January or February at the completion of the Boca Hoops program.

Gumbo Limbo Exhibits

Commissioner Starkoff inquired about the status of the Gumbo Limbo exhibits. Mr. Koski advised that he will send Michele Peel his comments from the prior City RFP for review.

Budget Items

Commissioner Frisch requested an update on the status of items ordered or re-ordered and discussed during the budget cycle. Mr. Koski will provide the information at the next meeting.

Joint City/District Meeting

Mr. Koski advised that the City has proposed holding a joint meeting sometime in December. The Board felt that an agenda should be prepared before scheduling a meeting date. The Board will submit their proposed agenda items to Mr. Koski for compilation. A January meeting is envisioned. This item will be discussed in further detail at the November 17 Board meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:


November 17 - Red Reef Park - Miller Legg Update
User Fees
Agenda Items for Joint City/District Meeting

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Engel to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED


Susan Vogelgesang Chairman


Earl L. Starkoff Secretary-Treasurer