

**GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL, BOCA RATON**  
**March 7, 2016**

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Robert K. Rollins, Jr. at approximately 5:15 p.m.

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

**CHANGES TO AGENDA:**

Due to the illness of the architect, Mr. Arthur C. Koski, Interim Executive Director requested that item number four under Regular Business: Review Swim & Racquet Center Building Design be deleted from the agenda. The Board concurred.

Due to the absence of Commissioner Frisch, the Board deferred item number three under Regular Business: Patch Reef Park Athletic Field Participation Count until the March 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**PUBLIC REQUESTS:**

Jim Miller

480 East Boca Raton Road, Boca Raton

Mr. Miller, President of the Friends of Gumbo Limbo, commented on the success of the Sea Turtle Day Festival held on March 5<sup>th</sup>; 6,000+ visitors attended the event. Project construction of the bypass system for the seawater supply system has been completed. He remarked that visitors still inquire about when the boardwalks will reopen.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 16, 2016.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

**1. Review Explorium Exhibit Rental Agreement**

Action on this item was previously deferred until all of the costs associated with the rental of "*When the Earth Shakes*" were available. Ms. Briann Harms, Assistant Director, furnished a breakdown of all of the costs that the District would incur, ranging from \$30,000 to \$33,000. Mr. Koski sought approval of the rental agreement.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the rental agreement for the "*When the Earth Shakes*" exhibit.

*Discussion:*

Commissioner Starkoff questioned whether the transportation costs were “reasonable”. Commissioner Rollins, a professional in the insurance industry, stated that the transportation costs provided were competitive.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**2. Red Reef Park Master Plan Update**

On February 10, Mr. Koski, Ms. Harms, Mr. Miller and Ms. Peel [Friends of Gumbo Limbo representatives] met with the consultant, Mike Kroll of Miller Legg. Mr. Kroll presented three options for the master plan. The options were provided to the City’s Recreation Services Department for review. Mr. Koski, Ms. Harms, Mr. Gomez and Assistant City Manager Mike Woika will meet next week to go over the options and solicit input from the City on the master plan.

**3. Patch Reef Park Athletic Field Participation Count**

To enable Commissioner Frisch to comment on the matter, this item will be addressed at the March 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**4. Review Swim & Racquet Center Building Design** – this item was deleted.

**5. Discuss Beach Renourishment**

Commissioner Rollins met with City of Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie on February 24, and personally delivered a letter [dated February 23, 2016) outlining the District’s 50% participation in funding the Central Beach Restoration Project. He advised the Mayor that based upon the schedule of costs document provided by the City, the District anticipates increasing its beach renourishment sinking fund contribution.

Mr. Koski advised that an interlocal agreement will be drafted for the current Central Beach Restoration Project.

**6. Discuss Available Beach Front Property**

Ms. Briann Harms, Assistant Director, furnished a list of available vacant properties on A-1-A and a depiction of where they are located. She noted that the properties contiguous with Ocean Strand have structures on them. For clarification purposes, Ms. Harms will update the records of the condominium owners.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Engel to authorize Mr. Koski and staff to contact the owners of those properties lying east of A-1-A to ascertain under what circumstances they might be available for acquisition and under what conditions.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

Ms. Janet Graham

963 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Boca Raton

Ms. Graham advised that she is a partial owner of the property located at 2401 N. Ocean Blvd. and that she has no interest in selling. She also informed that her relative owns the parcel at 2330 N. Ocean Blvd. and also has no interest in selling.

**APPROVAL OF INVOICES:**

In the absence of Secretary-Treasurer Frisch, Chairman Rollins requested approval of the invoice disbursement list totaling \$402,268.64.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Starkoff to approve the invoices as presented totaling \$402,268.64.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Executive Director**

*Sugar Sand Park Science Playground*

A groundbreaking event was held on February 28<sup>th</sup> at the Science Playground. On March 4, the contractor was given a Notice to Proceed. A pre-construction meeting was held on March 7. Playground equipment will be acquired for utilization in Phase II. As soon as Phase I is completed, the District will be in a position to go to contract for the second phase.

*Swim & Racquet Center*

Leakage in the building has been contained; the facility is in full use. As requested by the Via Verde Homeowners Association, Mr. Mummaw, the project architect, is engaged in altering the motif of the building. He is also before the City's Site Plan Committee. It is anticipated that the project will go out to bid in May, with construction to commence in July 2016.

*Sugar Sand Park Lighting Improvements*

Lighting issues are being discussed with Zimmer Consultants. The fixtures to be utilized have been identified. Currently awaiting documentation from the contractor.

*Gumbo Limbo Boardwalk*

Miller Legg and Applied Technology Management (ATM) are performing due diligence on the contractor.

*Sugar Sand Park Second Field House*

A contract between the District and the consultant Barretta & Brewer is being drafted; fees are being negotiated.

**District Counsel - None**

**Commissioners**

*Meeting with Mayor Haynie*

Commissioner Rollins advised that he met with Mayor Haynie and inquired about the status of DeHoernle Park Phase II. The Mayor indicated that she is in favor of moving forward on the project, and supports an interlocal agreement dealing with just that facility. Commissioner Rollins reiterated his concerns about the potential loss of two fields at FAU and the need for additional

recreation space to accommodate the expected influx of 20,000 new residents in the downtown area as well as the new residents in the Broken Sound Project. Commissioner Rollins asked the Mayor to facilitate a meeting with the City Manager, Leif Ahnell, to discuss the District's budget and items of mutual interest. The conversation with the Mayor was confirmed by Commissioner Rollins in an e-mail dated February 25, 2016.

*Boca Raton Little League Event*

Commissioner Rollins advised that he attended the opening night event of the Boca Raton Little League on Friday, March 4th. He was very impressed with the venue, which included a spectacular fireworks display. He was proud to represent the District, and realizes how much good the District is doing for the community with the children who are participating in the youth sport programs by providing a safe environment.

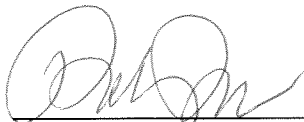
**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

March 14 Patch Reef Park Athletic Field Participation Count  
Swim & Racquet Center Building Design

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Starkoff and seconded by Commissioner Engel to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**



Robert K. Rollins, Jr.

Chairman



Steven M. Engel

Vice-Chairman