

**NON-APPROVED
MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD - 2014 TOUR OF FACILITIES
SPANISH RIVER LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTER
1501 NW SPANISH RIVER BOULEVARD
BOCA RATON FLORIDA 33431
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2014**

Dr. Trudi N. Stevens, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. Roll was called.

Members Present: Dr. Trudi N. Stevens, Chair
Ronald L. Betters, Vice Chair
Peter Boylan
Dr. Dennis R. Frisch
Gordon Gilbert
Joseph Good
Hank Kreh

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mickey Gomez Recreation Services Director
Buddy Parks Deputy Recreation Services Director
J.D. Varney Recreation Services Superintendent
Greg Stevens Recreation Services Superintendent

Others Present: None

Following breakfast, the Board began their tour.

SPANISH RIVER LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. Parks spoke about the CIP project to enclose the mezzanine area to increase the flexibility of the facility. He answered Board questions concerning providing covering for the outside patio and upper deck, which have been included in future years of the current Capital Improvement Plan.

COUNTESS DEHOERNLE PARK

Mr. Gomez spoke regarding the waterway between the lake located in de Hoernle Park and the lake behind the library. He noted that a bridge, that will complete the loop around the lake located in de Hoernle Park, is projected to be included in Phase II of de Hoernle Park development. He also spoke with the Board regarding the condition of the turf at de Hoernle Park. Several members of the Board commented on how beautiful the fields were. Mr. Gomez told the Board of efforts to have artificial turf installed on other fields throughout the City.

UNIVERSITY WOODLANDS PARK

Mr. Stevens told the Board about the effort to replace the walkway, tennis court and basketball court lighting. He also spoke regarding pathway improvements, replacing the playground equipment and sod replacement.

SOUTH BEACH PAVILION

Mr. Stevens spoke regarding replacement of the playground equipment and also showed the Board the effect of beach conditions have on the pavilions. There was evidence of rust on the roofs and on hardware. He noted that the roofs will be replaced shortly.

SOUTH BEACH PARK

Mr. Parks led a walk down a boardwalk to the beach. He showed the Board a short section of Mobi-Mat that had been installed at the end of a boardwalk and explained that the material will help, persons pushing strollers and anyone who may have trouble walking in the sand get closer to the water. Materials used to construct the mat and the cost of installing the mat were also discussed.

GUMBO LIMBO

Mr. Parks led a discussion pertaining to a host of improvements that are underway. These included replacing the entire site boardwalk, pumps and pipes that bring ocean water to the sea tanks and replacing the building's gutters, windows and doors. Another improvement will be installing a mobi-mat on the path that leads from the parking lot to the Chickee hut. Also discussed was the butterfly garden, the "beach" that provides access to the intra coastal waterway and the nuances of constructing a Chickee hut.

JAMES A. RUTHERFORD PARK

Again leading the way, Mr. Parks told the Board of plans to replace the aging boardwalks. He said that while the weather proofing treatment has extended the age of the boardwalks, vandalism, the constantly damp conditions and the age of the structures combine to make replacement prudent. The wood deck will be replaced by recycled plastic material.

The Board returned to the Spanish River Library and Community Center and adjourned the meeting at 11:52 AM.

J.D. Varney, Recorder

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD TOUR

February 8, 2014 – 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

❖ SPANISH RIVER LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTER

- 8:00 A.M. Breakfast
- Mezzanine Enclosure

❖ COUNTESS DEHOERNLE PARK

- Lakes
- Fields

❖ UNIVERSITY WOODLANDS PARK

- Light Replacements (basket ball & tennis courts, walkway)
- Walkway Replacement
- Playground Replacement

❖ SOUTH BEACH PAVILION

- Playground
- Roofs
- Restrooms

❖ SOUTH BEACH PARK

- Restroom
- Mobi Mat (beach access point #4)
- Beach Concession

❖ GUMBO LIMBO

- Building Improvements
- ADA Mats
- Boardwalks

❖ JAMES A. RUTHERFORD PARK

- Boardwalks