

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
FEBRUARY 2, 2009
4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Mrs. Linda Teener, Mr. Walt Pesaresi, Mr. Bruce McMillan, Mr. Oscar Montenegro, and Mr. Reed Scott. Mr. Curt Herrman and Ms. DeAnn Waldron were absent. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Curt Loupe, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Eddie Eastes, Park Superintendent; Mr. Mike Buchanan, Recreation Superintendent; Mrs. Lynn Schumacher, Animal Shelter/Control Supervisor; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; and Mr. Jared Bixby, Curator of Education.

MINUTES

Mrs. Teener called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Montenegro to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 5, 2009. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

MEET THE STAFF AND REVIEW

Mr. Bixby gave a brief biography and explained his responsibilities as Curator of Zoo Education.

Discussion was held and questions were answered at that time.

DISCUSSION OF ANIMAL SHELTER

Mrs. Schumacher presented information about animal adoption numbers and gave a brief history. She also discussed Animal Control response numbers, and plans for 2009, including a cat enclosure. She mentioned that a few problem areas have been identified and reduced. Mr. Loupe complimented her in regards to Animal Welfare and Public Safety.

Discussion was held and questions were answered at that time.

DISCUSSION OF NAMING POLICY

Mrs. Teener had reworked the policy based on previous suggestions. No revisions were suggested. It was moved and seconded that the Board accept the policy and present it to the City Commission. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held and questions were answered at that time.

SALES TAX QUESTION

Mr. Loupe gave a review of the swimming pools, bonds, and taxes, and explained what components make up the ¼ cent sales tax. He gave an overview of what has happened during the process and what is next.

Discussion was held and questions were answered at that time.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

Mr. Loupe gave an overview of Governor Sebelius's plan and its impact.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Loupe mentioned that Homecoming raised approximately \$3,000 for the Pavilion project. He gave a status report regarding the Pavilion. He also mentioned that the Splash Park proposals have been received and that the Board will eventually see them.

The meeting was adjourned.