

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
HAINES CITY, FLORIDA**

June 19, 2018

5:00 PM

Commission Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Daniel Stanton called to order the Parks and Recreation Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 19th 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers located at 620 E. Main Street Haines City FL.

Board Members in attendance: Daniel Stanton, Buster Raggs and Joshua Hicks.

Staff in attendance: Parks and Recreation Director Terrell Griffin, Deputy Parks and Recreation Director Ryan Ritchie, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Tom Mallernee, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Jillian Latimer and Deputy City Clerk Erica Anderson.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. MINUTES FROM CITY COMMISSION MEETING – APRIL 10, 2018

Staff Contact: Erica Anderson, Deputy City Clerk

The board moved to approve the amended minutes from the March meeting, all was in favor.

Board Member Hicks moved to approve the minutes from the April 10th 2018 meeting. Board Member Raggs seconded the motion, the motioned carried.

3. NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

New member Buster Raggs introduced himself to the board and gave a brief history of his background.

Deputy Director Ritchie introduced himself to the board, he talked about enhanced programs and stated he looks forward to working with the board.

4. FEE SCHEDULE CHANGES

Director Griffin discussed the fee schedule changes and addressed senior citizen discounts at the Lake Eva and Oakland Neighborhood Center. He talked about special events taking place and the need for staff to facilitate the events. Therefore a fee would be assessed for the clean-up of debris. Further, fees concerning rentals and camp were discussed with daily, resident and non-resident pricing.

Board Member Hicks inquired about adjusted fees for the Community Centers. It was stated by staff, these items would not be adjusted due to the restructuring of last year's fee schedule.

5. SUMMER CAMP UPDATE

We are in the second week of summer camp with 131 kids enrolled, 65 at Lake Eva and 65 at Oakland Neighborhood Center. Staff is looking to increase the number of kids it could accept, however, space is limited at this time. Current options would require shutting down the gymnasium and leave those not enrolled in summer camp without a facility to utilize.

Board Member Raggs inquired when the last day of summer camp would be. Director Griffin replied, August 3rd, 2018 would be the last day of camp, the program is 8 weeks long for grades 1st through 5th.

He went on to introduce a new program, Haines City Recreation on the move. There are multiple dates and locations set and will consist of food, fun and activities for free.

Also the summer hours for Lake Eva and Oakland Neighborhood Center including the gymnasium have been extended on Saturday's from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Board Member Raggs complimented staff on the job they've done with the nautilus room. Director Griffin expressed kudos to Parks and Recreation Supervisor Mallernee, for his efforts on the project.

6. 8 ACRE PARK POOL PROJECT

The borings for 8 Acre Park are complete, it was found that the ground was stable to have a pool, splash pad, or whichever the Commission would prefer. Director Griffin informed the board there will be a community meeting concerning the pool at 8 acre park on Tuesday, June 26 2018 from 4:30-6.30 p.m. Hydro Solutions will be in attendance to speak with residents and get their input. [Please note: This is an outside meeting, however if it rains, the meeting will be moved inside to Oakland Neighborhood Center].

It was further relayed by Director Griffin, the name Legacy Park [currently 8 Acre Park] will change to Ben T. Graham Park at the direction of the City Commission.

Board Member Hicks inquired about the fees associated with the park. It was relayed by staff there is currently a fee for the use of pavilions, otherwise it is free of charge. However it has not been determined what fees will be assessed in the future with the pool project.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public to come forward and speak with the board.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Griffin informed the board of the resignation of David Graham.

Board Member Raggs talked about the [Parks and Recreation] board as a really good thing the city is doing. He said he sees good things coming from the board with a lot of things the city didn't have before, it does now.

Director Griffin went over the agenda process with the board, he informed the board, July's meeting will consist solely on cemetery. He went on to say, if there is anything the board would like to see on the agenda for the August meeting and beyond, to get with him and let him know. Further, when replying to e-mails, please do not click "reply all".

Board Member Raggs said when he was at Cook Field it was locked. Director Griffin stated the commission has decided to put the fence up and lock the field based on the current state of the field and to protect the game field. Before and after pictures were shown to the board. He also said in a past meeting the commission had instructed staff to open all fields including Larry Parrish, they are now only open for normal hours.

Further conversation ensued concerning the state of the fields.

Chair Stanton suggested the next meeting take place on July 10, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Without any further business, the Parks and Recreation Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

BY: _____

ATTEST:

Linda Bourgeois
City Clerk