



**Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board
Minutes
May 4, 2022
Council Chambers
6:30 PM**



I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Jeremy Good called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. City staff present: Jay Conn, Director.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2022

Louiza Tarassova made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 2, 2022. The motion was seconded by Jenny Wolfe and carried by roll vote.

IV. PUBLIC PERIOD

Chair Jeremy Good opened the Public Period. There being no one who wished to be heard, Chair Jeremy Good closed the Public Period.

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. DISCUSSION - PARK NAMING POLICY

The board discussed recommendations for changes to be made to the current Park Naming Policy, which was adopted by City Council in 2010.

- Incorporate the six-month recommendation for the naming of new facilities and construction development to allow for time to be brought before City Council.
- No renaming after an individual or a family unless there is a financial donation consistent with #7, Section 3 of the policy.
- No naming or renaming commercial entities regardless of a financial donation.
- If a naming request is denied, it can not be resubmitted for a three-year period.
- Funding the renaming of a park facility may utilize City funding, however, it will be funded as capital budgets allow. The PRAB shall

weigh the benefit to the community as to the costs of renaming a facility.

- No other features should be named. Clearly identify "features". Currently, there are two opportunities, one is to purchase a bench. These benches have been placed in downtown parks, Lake Lily, Ft. Maitland and Independence Square. The other opportunity is to purchase a brick which is located at the overlook of Lake Lily. Jay Conn suggested the possibility of talking to Public Works about feature options.
- Jay Conn will bring a draft policy, with the changes that were discussed this evening, to the next PRAB meeting to continue the discussion process before bringing it back as a decision item.

VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE BOARD DEEMS ADVISABLE

Louiza Tarassova requested an update on the Ft. Matiland project. Jay Conn told the board that the property had been fenced off and the project had officially started on Monday, with an anticipated five months to completion. Questions have been raised by residents as to why the park will be closed during the summer months. Jay Conn stated that the City Council approved the construction contract for the project to go forward, with the construction costs rising and getting construction crews in place, the project had to be done at this time. The renovations will consist of adding a few more parking spaces, paddleboard/kayak access, a small fenced-in playground and pavilion, new prefabricated restrooms, which will be ADA-compliant, upgrading the landscaping and repaving the asphalt.

Chair Jeremy Good asked if there is anything new about the wetlands area that borders Winter Park. Jay Conn stated that there was a proposal to build a boardwalk through the wetlands that connected areas in Winter Park and Maitland Middle School, with the idea of improving the pedestrian accessibility for the children that go to the middle school. The walks impacted Winter Park properties more and Jay Conn said he would look into the grant that was involved. Also, across the street there is a piece of land that is city-owned that children have used as a "park". The property was originally bought as a lift station and currently there is a construction project taking place, that will take the next several years, to take out the septic in the neighborhoods, which will be tied into the lift station.

Louiza Tarassova mentioned a serious fire ant problem at Homer Hough-Sybelia Point Park. Allison Gendron asked, if at the end of the budget year, there should be any funds left over, could there be a possibility of having "musical instruments" installed in our playgrounds? This is a low-cost feature that children would enjoy.

Jay Conn stated that Ha Roda and Jenny Wolfe both have their board terms ending in June with Jenny Wolfe being eligible, if she so wishes, to reapply.

Getdown Downtown Event this Friday, May 6th. The Human Resources Department will have a tent at this event to promote the many job opportunities that the City currently has open.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Council Clerk