

**Park and Recreation Board Meeting
City of Belleair Beach, Florida**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023
Community Center, 2:00 PM**

Minutes

Call to Order

Chair Tammie Levenda called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Board Members:

Tammie Levenda
Patti Roberts
John Wagner

Alternate Board Member:

Deborah DiCosimo

City Staff:

City Manager Kyle Riefler
Community Services Administrator Aaron Glanz

1. Approval of the Agenda.

MOTION was made by John Wagner and seconded by Patti Roberts to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of the February 23, 2023, Park and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes.

MOTION was made by John Wagner and seconded by Tammie Levenda to approve the Minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Citizen Comments.

NO CITIZEN COMMENTS

4. Inventory of Belleair Beach Logo Merchandise.

Nicole Sussman will no longer be handling inventory and social postings for Parks & Rec. Patti Roberts has agreed to take over inventory of merchandise and Deborah DiCosimo has agreed to take over social media posts.

The merchandise which P&R has available to sell are: hats, license plate covers, beach towels, hand towels and possible cups. We are discontinuing the fanny pack at this time.

5. Update on Welcome Bags for New Residents.

Tammie and Kyle have put together four "New Resident Gift Bags" for distribution to Belleair Beach's new residents. The current gift bags will include a license plate cover, a BB logo hand towel, a kitchen towel that says "Life is Better in Belleair Beach," and additional/various samples, discounts or coupons from local merchants. We will cap the bags off at ten merchants or less for each bag and will not include duplicate types of merchants. The bag consistency will change based on what is available to us through P&R or from our local merchants.

New residents will be notified of their "Free Gift Bags" by door hangers telling them to come to City Hall to pick up their bags. The bags will also contain all pertinent city related information such as hurricane info, trash/recycling pickups, dates of events, list of parks and their amenities, form to sign up for emails, etc. These bags will be put together on a once a month basis.

6. Review of March Beach Clean Up.

Beach clean-up took place on Saturday, March 4th at 8:00 am. Only six volunteers came to help out at beach-clean up. Red Tide may have been a reason more people were not there. However, the transition from donuts to "healthy" granola/power bars did not go over well. The consensus is that people are more motivated to clean the beach with donuts as a reward. Next month on April 1st P&R will try a combination of both donuts and healthy treats.

MOTION was made by Patti Roberts and seconded by John Wagner to bring back the donuts.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Assignments and Guidelines for March 2023 Park Surveys.

Below are the park areas which will be divided amongst P&R Board to inspect for safety issues, park amenities, general observations and upkeep. The visit of these parks should take place before our April meeting, perhaps starting around April 1st. Board members will receive a red placard for parking. A report should be submitted with overall park, marina and walking easement conditions, as well as, dangerous situations, potential updates needed, damages, etc.

Pictures to be taken of any concerning or safety areas. For extreme safety issues, call Kyle or Aaron right away. Recap sheets will go to the city for repairs and Kyle will form a city work to-do list for any improvements, updates or repairs that need to be performed. This task will be conducted twice a year by the P&R Board and it will most likely be in April and September, but that is not an absolute.

The distribution of parks is as follows:

- South Park (1st Street) - Patti
- 2nd Street Park - Patti
- 7th Street Park - Deb
- 16th Street Park - Deb
- 20th Street Park - Deb
- 25th Street Park - Deb
- Bayside Park - John
- Belle Isle Park - Tammie
- City Hall Grounds - John
- Crossman Park - Tammie
- Hibiscus Park East - Patti
- Morgan Park - Patti
- Belleair Beach Marina - Tammie
- South/North walking easement - John
- Belleair Shore Beach Accesses (x3) - John
- County Pond (Causeway/12th Street) - Tammie

8. Other Business.

Patti did not have any luck trying to bring karate to the BB Community Center. Tammie was able to speak with Tara and they added an additional Yoga session each week on Tuesdays. Deb spoke with WW about reaching out to Kyle to possibly rent out community center for weekly meetings.

Patti requested that in the future the BB City Wide Garage Sale should not be on the first Saturday of the month to prevent overlapping conflicts. Kyle has agreed to look at the second Saturday as an alternative in the future. This year's garage sale will take place on April 1, 2023.

John inquired about the possibility of BB adding a dog park. There is a liability concern and this will be looked into at a later date.

9. Next Meeting Date and Time:

April 13th at 2:00 pm

MOTION was made by Patti Roberts and seconded by John Wagner to adjourn at 3:10 pm.

Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Prepared by: Deborah DiCosimo, Secretary

4/13/23
Date Approved


APPROVED: _____
Tammie Levenda, Chair

ATTEST: Deborah DiCosimo
Deborah DiCosimo, Secretary