

HOLIDAY PARK, PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Workshop

Main Recreation Hall
February 26, 2019 @ 9:00 AM

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Richard Gortz at 9:00 A.M.

II. Roll Call:

Taken by: Dorlis McKinney

Present: Chairperson Richard Gortz, 1st Vice Karin Anderson, Treasurer Don LaMaster, Secretary Dorlis McKinney, Trustees Ken Judd, Bill Mitchell, Betty Hart and Bob Bachman, Park Manager Tess Schofield, and Sergeant-at-arms Jim Oliver.

Excused: None

III. New Business:

1. ADA website

Park Manager, Tess Schofield, explained that we have three (3) proposals. She then presented the bids from Streamline, Promet Source and Usable Net. Tess' recommendation is Streamline.

Discussion: General discussion was made regarding the need for ADA compliance. It's expensive but it's required. It was mentioned that the City of North Port is in compliance. Tess explained the benefits of Streamline, the first year is \$3,650.00.

The board consensus was to move this item to our Regular meeting agenda.

2. Variance – 5296 Palena Blvd.

Trustee, Bob Bachman, explained that the shed in question is 19" off the corner of the mobile home. To correct the placement, it would cost the owner \$1,000.00. He is in favor of the variance.

Discussion: Many of the trustees were in support of the variance. It was mentioned that some sheds have a 6" overhang and we may want to look at changing the rule to 1 foot. Bob Bachman will check with the city on their requirements.

The board consensus was to move this item to our Regular meeting agenda.

3. Pool Diapers

Park Manager, Tess Schofield, explained that several residents have requested that toddlers be able to use the pool.

Discussion: The current rule was mentioned; the rule was put in place years ago. The Chairperson and Park Manager read a list of area parks that allow toddlers to the audience. They explained that

it is common for area pools to permit toddler swimmers. Mention was made that the park could potentially sell the diapers to make them available. Adult swim diapers were also brought up. Several residents voiced that they were in support of/would embrace the allowance, as we need to stay in tune with the times and meet resident needs.

The board consensus was to move this item to our Regular meeting agenda once the rule is ready.

4. Phase II remodeling budget

The board consensus was to table this item for further discussion at a future Workshop.

5. Employee health insurance

Chairperson, Dick Gortz, explained that we will need a new contract before summer vacation. Furthermore, a third plan may need to be added and the platinum plan may need to be eliminated if unused.

Discussion: Mention was already made last year to do away with the platinum plan. We need a family plan, something adjustable. Park Manager, Tess Schofield, will be soliciting bids for the April workshop. A decision could be made in May, high deductible plans are becoming the norm.

The board consensus was to table this item for further discussion at a future Workshop.

IV. Supplemental Items:

1st Vice Chair, Karin Anderson, explained that she's received complaints about a 6-year-old driving a golf cart. She researched and found that children must be 14 years of age to drive a golf cart per Florida Statute 316.212 subsection 7. Karin went on to suggest that carts be added to homeowner's insurance as insurance is only for liability and the golf cart owner is responsible for liability, etc. She's concerned for the kids, grandparents, plus anyone they would hit.

Cheryl Morris – Mentioned some homeowners insurance won't cover, a special policy is needed. The coverage is about \$70.00 per year.

Ken Judd – Stated that liability insurance is often all that is available.

Betty Hart – Asked if driving on the sidewalk was legal or not.

Dick Gortz – Police may not arrest but it isn't advisable.

Bill Mitchell – Stated that our Groundskeeper, Johnny, is doing an excellent job.

V. Trustee Comments:

Ken Judd: Stated that we'll try to give our employees a good insurance plan.

Dick Gortz: Thanked Bill Mitchell for his service on the board.

Bill Mitchell: Thanked everyone for the kind words, he has considered it an honor to serve.

Karin Anderson: Stated that she will work on the new rule.

Bob Bachman: No comment.

Don LaMaster: No comment.

Betty Hart: No comment.

Dorlis McKinney: Thanked Bill for his dedicated service as a trustee.

Dick Gortz: Encouraged residents to vote on March 12th. On March 14th at 7:00 pm, we will hold our Oath of Office, followed by our annual reorganization of the trustees, followed by our regular meeting. Our budget must be published in April, voting in May. A contract will be presented for Tess, it will be placed on the next workshop agenda.

VI. Resident Comments:

Sandy Hopkins – Asked about the location for the pavilion.

Dick Gortz – Explained that we do not have a location for it at this time, we are looking at the 2020- or 2021-time frame. He went on to say that there was a line item in the budget for the pavilion.

Karin Anderson – Further explained that the pavilion location would be selected by the trustees and the amount we would spend. It would then go to the homeowners for a vote. Discussion followed.

Deb Good – Questioned the timing for voting on the diapers.

Dick Gortz – Stated that we would be voting on it at the next meeting, hopefully.

Betty Hart – Announced that there would be a Computer Club meeting tonight.

Ken Judd – Stated that the lawn contract expires soon.

Tess Schofield – Explained that she has spoken with PrimeScapes and our contract has no expiration date. In January he asked for a new contract price. Tess asked him to present a proposal.

Lois Langtry – Stated that there has been noodles in the pool, no toys according to the signs. The coins get caught in the drains. Some have fights with the noodles.

Karin Anderson – Reiterated that no toys are allowed, and noodles are for adults only.

Norb Schneider – Explained that a plastic kiddie pool was donated by Lois Langtry, it would end the problem.

VII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Don LaMaster, 2nd by Karin Anderson. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:16 am.

Respectively Submitted,



Dorlis McKinney
Secretary