

City of Pinellas Park, Florida
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes
February 27 30, 2023
7:00 pm

Meet at PUBLIC WORKS OPERATION CENTER
6250 – 82ND Avenue North

Chair Mary Ann Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

1) Ms. Palmer did the Roll Call:

Members Present: Joanne Dauphin, Karen Ford, Alisha Kelley, Jeanne Kepple, Neil Kummerer, Mary Ann Smith, Lorraine Taylor and Jamie Tomlin

Members Absent: Hayden Kelley

Staff Present: Matt Bale, Parks and Recreation Director and Sarah Palmer, Leisure Services Senior Staff Assistant.

Staff Absent: Angela Pietras, Leisure Services Administrator

Guests: Felix Fred, Teen Board and Youth Park Supervisor and Jeilam Morales, candidate for Teen Board Member

2) Approval of Minutes – January 30, 2023

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple and seconded by Ms. Tomlin to accept the minutes as corrected.

3) New Business

Mr. Morales indicated that he would like to join the Board. Teen Member candidate Morales was interviewed by Board. A motion was made by Ms. Kepple and seconded by Ms. Tomlin that we ask Mr. Morales to join the Board. All were in favor. Paperwork to be submitted to Council for appointment.

Mr. Bale swore in Karen Ford for another term to expire 12/31/2026.

The proposed new bylaws were presented for review. After the members present had time to review them. Ms. Kelley made to motion that they be adopted and Mr. Kummerer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

4) Board Agenda Items

Mr. Bale gave an update on staffing:

Patti Johnson Farm has an opening for an Agricultural Assistant (full or part time)

Broderick has an opening for one part time position – interviews are taking place

Forbes has an opening for one part time position – interviews are taking place

Senior Center has an opening for a full and part time position
Skyview Pool is in the process of hiring their summer staff
Library has a couple of openings

Managers are to have Capital Improvement Project requests presented to Ms. Pietras and Mr. Bale by March 1, 2023. Mr. Bale went over the listing of items being presented for Leisure Services.

Question was asked about Disk Golf? Someone from the group called and told that it was closed. Do we know who told them? Mr. Bale will check and see if we can find out anything about the closure.

There was a big turnout for the Horse Show this past weekend.

Discussion was held about the signage on 94th Avenue directing parking for the Horse Show and the Baseball Events which has disappeared. Mr. Bale to see if it can be replaced. Also have the electronic board sign placed at the entrance when horse shows are scheduled.

Ms. Tomlin asked Mr. Bale to check on the ride around for the Equestrian Area Trail with Public Works. He indicated that he would get with Mr. Sabiel, Jr. in the morning. Mr. Bale asked if Duke had reinstalled the Lights that were taken out.

The new and improved spreadsheet highlighting the programs and events happening were presented to the Board.

- 5) Recreation Program Updates – The Board was asked if they had any questions about the items presented. None were asked.
- 6) Equestrian - Nothing this month.

Adjournment

Ms. Dauphin made a motion that we adjourn and Ms. Kelley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Bale
Parks and Recreation Director

Mary Ann Smith
Chair