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Re: URGENT - Parks & Rec Board Meeting TONIGHT

1 message

Emilia Tito <mellticat@yahoo.com>
To: Sarah Palmer <SPalmer@pinellas-park.com>

Wed, Apr 28, 2021 at 12:35 PM

Sarah

I would like to resign from the City of Pinellas Park Parks and Recreation Board.

I enjoyed my time but have other obligations that are more pressing.

Thank you for all you do Sarah. Give my best to everyone.

Sincerely,

Emilia Tito

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 26, 2021, at 4:25 PM, Sarah Palmer <SPalmer@pinellas-park.com> wrote:

Yay!

Sarah

On Mon, Apr 26, 2021 at 4:20 PM Thomas <thomasjames122602@gmail.com> wrote:

I'll be there.

On Mon, Apr 26, 2021, 3:35 PM Sarah Palmer <SPalmer@pinellas-park.com> wrote:

Checking to see if you are coming tonight. So we will know if we have a quorum.

Sarah

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City of Pinellas Park, Florida
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes
May 24, 2021
6:30 pm

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

Chair Jeanne Kepple called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

1) Ms. Palmer did the Roll Call:

Members Present: Connie Bruce, Joanne Dauphin, Jeanne Kepple and Mary Ann Smith
Member Absent: Karen Ford, Neil Kummerer, Thomas Nicholls, Jamie Tomlin
Staff Present: Keith Sabiel, Leisure Services Administrator; Matt Bale, Parks and Recreation Director and Sarah Palmer, Leisure Services Senior Staff Assistant

2) Approval of Minutes: April 26, 2021

A motion was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Ms. Bruce to accept the minutes as presented. The Board voted unanimously.

3) New Business

- a) The May 24th bus tour to include Freedom Lake Park, Helen Howarth AG Farm, Tingler Park, Sparkle Lake Park and Youth Park Hockey Arena.
- b) Ms. Palmer shared that we had received a resignation letter from Emilia Tito.
 1. A motion was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Ms. Dauphin to accept the resignation of Ms. Tito from the board. The Board votes unanimously to accept the resignation with regrets and asked Ms. Palmer to prepare the proper documentation to present to Council.
- c) Mr. Sabiel shared that Feeding Tampa Bay has donated 25 kayaks to the City for all of the work that the Library Employees and the TeenWorks Volunteers had done for their organization. We are looking at having classes at the Skyview Pool for beginners, trips for the Recreation Centers during Summer Camp and how they could be utilized by the Citizens.
- d) Mr. Sabiel also shared that there was a very good turn-out for the “Fun in the Sun” event giving out 600 life jackets. The weather was perfect. Mr. Sabiel thanked all of the employees and volunteers that helped to make this event the success that it was.

4) Board Agenda Items

- a) CIP and Parks & Recreation updates – Matt Bale
 - Tingler Park Bridge is completed and was visited on our Tour.
 - Orchid Lake has had the playground equipment installed and they are working on grading the lot and doing the concrete work. Also visited on our Tour.
 - Pinebrook Park is on on-going project.
 - Town Center is an on-going project.

b) Recreation Program Updates

- Broderick Park
 - (1) Freedom Lake Park Community Gardener's will be having a seed and plant swap event on Saturday May 29th time to be announced. This event is for current Freedom Lake gardeners only.
 - (2) Broderick Summer camp enrollment is near 60.
 - (3) Final submittal to FDEP for the Rails to Trail Grant funding request was sent in on May 12th.
 - (4) 80 Youth from the Broderick Park after school program participated in FRPA's Walk Florida Program during the month of March. A total of 900 youth participated throughout Florida.

- Forbes Recreation
 - (1) Forbes Summer Camp is full! All 150 openings have been filled. Staff will be scheduling and planning for games, and fun activities for 5 groups of children.
 - (2) Summer Camp shirts have arrived for campers & staff. Parents will be notified when shirt pickups can be done.
 - (3) St. Petersburg Storm Volleyball Club will be renting the gym on a regular basis for practices and clinics.
 - (4) A local Square Dancing group is planning to return to schedule dancing on Tuesdays and Fridays.

- Senior Center
 - (1) The Senior Center had their first sit down Pancake Breakfast in some time on May 12th. It went well.
 - (2) Seniors will be taking a field trip to Dr. BBQ this Wednesday.
 - (3) Nearly all scheduled field trips are full.
 - (4) Seniors are excited about Bingo starting up again beginning June 3rd at 6pm.
 - (5) The Senior Bridge Card Players Group is growing.
 - (6) Shuffleboard is doing very good.

- Skyview Pool
 - (1) The pool's Every Child's a Swimmer program is well attended with 30 participants.
 - (2) Summer staff hiring is nearly complete.
 - (3) Pool party rentals have increased.
 - (4) Water Safety Instructor certification training is ongoing. Several staff members have been certified.
 - (5) Swim lesson classes are being scheduled.

- Youth Park
 - (1) Youth Park Teen Center is making final preparations for Summer Camp. They are ordering supplies and planning participant activities for a summer of fun activities. Summer camp colors will be Miami Vice themed with staff wearing pink and teens wearing blue.
 - (2) Youth Park aftercare is nearly complete as the teens prepare for summer. We have had good teen participation in the volunteer trash pickup program. The teens are averaging a full bucket of trash for each collection event. Youth Park will have 5 junior counselors this summer.
 - (3) TeenworkX is very proud to be accepting a Florida League of Cities award for their Holiday Give Back project completed last December. The Leisure Services Department is proud of what the TeenworkX volunteers have accomplished for the community.

- Equestrian
 - (1) A second flat bridge has been built for the equestrian Center
 - (2) The Tingler Park Equestrian Bridge renovation is complete.

5) Open Discussion – None at this meeting.

6) Adjournment

Ms. Smith made a motion that we adjourn and Ms. Dauphin seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. See you next month. Remember we will be back at our normal time of 7:00 pm.

7) Take Away:

- a) Ms. Palmer to prepare the documents for Council for the resignation of Ms. Tito.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Bale
Parks and Recreation Director

Jeanne Kepple
Chair