# PARKS, RECREATION, & BEACHES BOARD MINUTES CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE 100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE CITY HALL, 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM WEDNESDAY, June 26, 2013 – 6:30 P.M.

#### **Cumulative Attendance**

		Oct 2012 - Sept 2013	
Board Members	Attendance	Present	Absent
Bruce Quailey, Chair	Р	7	0
Brad Hubert, Vice Chair	Р	7	0
Joseph Bellavance	Р	7	0
Tommy Knapp	Р	5	2
Charles Love	Α	3	1
Larry Mabson	Р	6	1
JoAnn Medalie	Р	5	2
Larry Nielsen "Ree"	Р	3	0
Robert Payne	Р	5	2
Karen Polivka	Α	2	2
Betty Shelley	Р	6	1
Shirley Smith	Р	7	0
Jed Thompson	Α	0	1
Angela Ward	Р	5	2
Richard Zaden	Α	4	3

As of this date, there are 15 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

It was noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

## **Staf**f

Phil Thornburg, Director Carolyn Bean, Administrative Assistant

## Roll Call

Chair Quailey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll was called and all stood for the pledge of allegiance.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Shirley Smith, seconded by Robert Payne, to approve the April 24, 2013 minutes. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

### 1. Department Report

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Bruce Quailey advised the board members to try to keep the side conversations to a minimal during the meeting to ensure neighbors watching the meeting at home can hear and understand the conversations.

#### 2. NBC 6 – Fit Fest Video

Director Thornburg attempted to show a few Fit Fest videos which were filmed at Holiday Park and featured on NBC. Due to technical difficulties we were unable to play the videos. The links to the videos were emailed to the parks board members.

#### 3. Parks Presentation to Commission

Director Thornburg presented the Parks and Recreation Department PowerPoint presentation which was presented to the City Commission in May 2013 highlighting the various divisions under the Parks and Recreation Department as well as achievements.

#### 4. Board Comments

A discussion was held regarding the Starlight Musicals at Holiday Park on Friday nights at 7:00 PM from June 14, 2013 to August 2, 2013.

A discussion was held regarding Summer Camp attendance. Director Thornburg advised that there are only 2 sites that are not full.

A discussion was held regarding increasing Police presence on the beach due to Memorial Day incident which occurred at Beach Place. Director Thornburg advised that based on Miami Beach implementing tougher restrictions on their beach event, event goers decided to come to Fort Lauderdale.

A discussion was held regarding roof repairs needed for City Facilities and how the City could pay for needed repairs.

A discussion was held regarding numbers reported for Turtle season. Bruce Quailey advised of the meeting being held tonight at the International Swimming Hall of Fame from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

A discussion was held regarding the Presidential Fitness Award. Director Thornburg advised that it was something staff would look into.

Director Thornburg advised the Board that the City was opening a Wellness Center in order to reduce the healthcare costs of employees by providing a Health and Wellness Center which will be staffed with a Doctor and a Physician's Assistant. Grand Opening for the Health and Wellness Center will be held on July 9, 2013 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

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Bruce Quailey commented that staff does a wonderful job with all the activities provided and encouraged the Board to participate in these events.

Bruce Quailey passed out articles on Lightning awareness week and the Horizon oil spill.

Director Thornburg advised the Board that July is Parks and Recreation Month. Bruce Quailey has volunteered to accept the Proclamation at the July 2, 2013 Commission Meeting.

Angela Ward questioned if it was the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the David Deal Playday. Director Thornburg advised that it is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It has evolved from a 1 day event of camp kids competing in various events to a 5 day event including Summerfest and events for Adults.

#### 5. Communications to the Commission

There were no communications to the Commission.

## 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.