

# Village of North Palm Beach

## Recreation Advisory Board

### Minutes from the October 8, 2019 Meeting

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Maria Cassidy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#### ROLL CALL:

Maria Cassidy, Chair

Bob Bell

Tim Hulihan

Don Grill (excused absence)

Chris Cantwell, Vice Chair

Mia St. John

Paul Beach

David Norris, Village Council Representative

Russ Ruskay, Director of Parks and Recreation

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Tim Hulihan made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Bob Bell. The motion passed 6-0.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Russ presented updates on the following projects and special events:

- Community Center – outdoor basketball courts, removal of the old cell tower building, new outdoor fitness equipment, exterior paint, exterior door replacement and several small park projects.
- Anchorage Park – volleyball court renovations, grant closeouts and boat ramp steps.
- Special Events – Touch A Truck, Links 5K, Arts & Crafts Show, Country Club Opening, Soccer Clinic and Food Truck Frenzy.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Russ presented the application for a State of Florida FRDAP grant for renovation of Osborne Park's basketball courts. The grant is \$50,000 with no financial match from the Village. The board was supportive of the application.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Russ updated the board on the dry storage renovation project. The Village Council reprioritized the FY 2020 Capital Improvement Budget to place a high priority on this project. Russ will bring a State of Florida LWCF grant in the amount of \$200,000 to the council to help fund the dry storage project. The Village match of \$200,000 is in the CIP budget.

#### BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- Tim Hulihan mentioned again the importance of keeping the oak trees adjacent to the proposed dry storage lot at Anchorage Park.
- Chris Cantwell asked if the Recreation Department would look into offering again a basketball program for players over 40.
- Bob Bell commented that he recalls a Master Plan for Osborne Park, showing various improvements and reconfiguration of the fields.
- Discussion by the board on the location of swimming warning signs at Lakeside Park.
- Tim Hulihan suggested offering a coach clinic for each youth sport program.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Chris Cantwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Tim Hulihan. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Minutes respectively submitted by Russell Ruskay, Director of Parks and Recreation.