

February 13, 2014

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COLLIER COUNTY  
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Naples, Florida, February 13, 2014

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the Collier County Parks and Recreation  
Advisory Board, in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business  
herein, met on this date at 11:30 A.M. at Immokalee South Park,  
418 School Drive, Immokalee, Florida, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN:	Edward "Ski" Olesky
VICE CHAIR:	Phil Brougham
	Mary Bills
	John Fuchs
	Murdo Smith
	David Saletko (Excused)
	Vacancy

ALSO PRESENT: Barry Williams, Director Parks and Recreation  
Derek Dimas, Parks and Recreation

**I. Call to Order**

**Chairman Olesky** called the meeting to order at 11:30 A.M.

*A quorum was established.*

**II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Invocation was held.

**III. Approval of Agenda – Addressed after IV.**

**IV. Approval of January 15, 2014 Minutes**

*Vice-Chairman Brougham moved to approve the January 15, 2014 Minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Bills. Motion carried unanimously; 5 - 0.*

**III. Approval of Agenda**

*Mr. Fuchs moved to approve the February 13, 2014 Agenda as presented.*

*Second by Ms. Bills. Motion carried unanimously; 5 - 0.*

**V. New Business**

**A. Request to Sell Alcohol at the Harvest Festival – Review/Approve**

Staff distributed a *Request for Presentation to be placed on Agenda*, dated February 13, 2014. (See attached)

**Bernardo Barnhart, President of the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce** requested permission to sell alcoholic beverages (beer) on park grounds for the Harvest Festival to be held on March 29, 2014. The event is scheduled for 10 AM – 10 PM. He proposed to stop selling alcohol 2 ½ hours prior to closing event and would stipulate this in contract. The Harvest Festival will be held at Airport Park.

All questions from the PARAB were addressed.

*Ms. Bills moved to approve the request to sell alcoholic beverages at the Harvest Festival on March 29<sup>th</sup> at Airport Park (and Staff will make sure all County requirements are met.) Second by Mr. Fuchs. Motion carried unanimously; 5 - 0.*

**VI. Staff Highlights**

**A. Park Presentation – Immokalee Community Park**

*The Immokalee Community Park PowerPoint Presentation will be given at the March meeting.*

**VII. Old Business**

**A. Adopt A Park Assignments**

**Chairman Olesky** gave a brief report on his assigned parks stating they all appear to be in good condition. He will meet with Barry Williams to review findings for parks assigned to him.

**Mr. Fuchs** reported on Tigertail Beach Park. He visited the park on January 27, 2014, and reviewed the “Adopt a Park Survey” completed form.

- Attractive – Yes
- Feels Safe – Yes
- Clean/Well Maintained – Yes and No
- Comfortable Places to sit – Yes
- Area is busy – Yes
- People in groups – No
- Evidence of Volunteerism – Yes
- Does the location have fields – No
- How many people were in the facility at the time of your visit? – 60 – 120
- Children and Seniors were both present
- I would recommend this facility. I love the fact that the park is on the beach.
- 3-Improvements that wouldn't cost a lot that could be done right away:
  - Better bathroom cleaning
  - Provide table for the Interpretive Program
  - Provide a booth attendant on Tuesdays
- 3-Changes I would make in the long term that would have the biggest impact:
  - Bathroom facelift
  - Parking lot surface
  - Place “no parking” signs on street outside the park

Most visitors love Tigertail facilities but do not like long walk to the beach.

**Mr. Fuchs** volunteered to build a table for the Interpretive Program.

*It was noted the table would be gifted to the Tigertail Beach Park facility.*

**Ms. Bills** reported the Oil Well Park sign looks like it is falling over. The sign needs to be reinforced and cleaned.

## **VIII. Director's Highlights**

**Barry Williams** reported:

- Golden Gate Community Center hosting a BMX State Tournament with 550 riders participating last weekend.
- Senior Expo geared towards our Community was held yesterday.
- CC Budget process is in the beginning stage. BCC will hear philosophies proposed by Department Managers. There is a possibility of a 10% budget increases for the new budget year.
- Camping at Pepper Ranch has been fairly successful.
- Toured Immokalee with Commissioner Tim Nance and identified items to address.

- “Kids Don’t Float, Life Jackets Do” - PAR has received some recognition for this new safety program. Life jackets are for visitors to borrow while in the park at no cost to them.

**Barry Williams** noted Margaret Bishop will provide updates and status reports on park projects on a regular basis.

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** expressed a willingness to assist in the budget process by being vocal at BCC Budget Meetings. He is interested in building up PAR Reserves and would be interested in speaking out on behalf of PAR.

**Mr. Smith** requested a list of deferred maintenance for the PARAB.

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** noted an issue with being understaffed at beach and water parks. Our beaches attract tourists and require more staffing.

**IX. Informational Items – Read only**

**X. Public Comments/Board Comments**

**Public Speakers**

**Bobby Hutton**, resident of Immokalee stated the Immokalee Fitness Center does not have enough equipment to work out. He also noted the softball field has no facilities. If you need to use a facility, you must walk to the baseball field. This should be looked at as a priority.

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** suggested utilizing portable facilities.

**Christie Betancourt – Immokalee CRA Administrative Assistant** reported working at the Fitness Center. She noted only 1 of the 4 treadmills work.

**Derek Dimas - PAR** stated the treadmills do not have enough electric to operate. He has received quotes for new equipment however the Fitness Center does not have enough power.

**Vice-Chairman Brougham** requested a full analyst and a report on fitness center and electrical power. He asked Staff to make a presentation on the condition and recommendations and absolute deficiencies for the Fitness Center.

**Barry Williams** reported PAR hired an Architectural Consultant firm to provide a conceptual plan of an expansion of the Fitness Center and to give a cost estimate. Staff is currently working on finalizing.

***Vice-Chairman Brougham moved to direct Staff to give a full report on the Fitness Center Facility, correct deficiencies long term plan, what it is going to cost, where the push points are for consideration. Second by Mr. Fuchs. Motion carried unanimously; 5 – 0.***

**Mr. Smith** stated when a facility is making every effort to build membership and create revenue every effort should be able to accommodate their members.

**Ms. Bills** asked if 4 treadmills working would suffice, if the electrical system works.

**Christie Betancourt** responded; yes. She continued to report a lighting problem in the Fitness Center parking lot. She cited the safety hazard and recommended the lights be repaired.

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**Barry Williams** reported Facilities Management will trim oak trees and rearrange angle lights shine to allow lights to brighten parking lot.

**Christie Betancourt** stated the Community Park volleyball area. An additional court should be added or old one needs to be fixed. The Community Park sidewalks need to be redone.

She invited Barry Williams to make a presentation to the Immokalee CRA Board.

**Barry Williams** reported FDOT plans to build a road through Airport Park and promised to do something for the Community.

Discussion was made on occasionally moving the PARAB monthly meetings to different parks. A consensus was form to occasionally meet at different parks. Barry Williams will make schedule recommendations.

**Mr. Smith** inquired if Immokalee residents could use Ave Maria facilities.


**NEXT MEETING:**

**Regular Meeting: March 19, 2014**

**Location: North Collier Regional Park, Administration Building,  
Conference Room A, 15000 Livingston Road is scheduled for 2:00  
P.M.**

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the Chairman at 1:00 P.M.

**COLLIER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION  
ADVISORY BOARD**

  
Chairman Ski Olesky

These Minutes were approved by the Committee/Board on 3-19-14, as presented X or as amended \_\_\_\_.

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LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the Collier County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 10:00 A.M. for the Immokalee South Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Immokalee South Park, 418 School Drive, Immokalee, Florida 34142, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN: Edward "Ski" Olesky  
VICE-CHAIRMAN: Phil Brougham  
Mary Bills  
John Fuchs  
Murdo Smith  
(Vacancy)

ALSO PRESENT: Barry Williams, Director Parks and Recreation  
Steve Carnell, Public Services Administrator  
Annie Alvarez, Regional Manager III  
Ilonka Washburn, Manager Park Operations  
Peg Ruby, Marketing Specialist  
Jake Sullivan, Park Ranger Supervisor  
Dennis Linguidl, Manager Facilities Management

**Master of Ceremonies – Annie Alvarez, Parks and Recreation Regional Manager III** welcomed all to the Immokalee South Park Community Center Grand Opening Ceremony.

**The Immokalee High School JROTC Battalion Color Guard** *Presented the Colors.*

**Reverend Tony Allen** of Glendale Bible Baptist Church gave the Invocation.

**Mintzy Berry-Lee** sang the National Anthem.

**The Immokalee High School JROTC Battalion Color Guard** *Retired the Colors.*

The Immokalee Community Park, Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Class of 2014, preformed the “VPK Florida Alphabet” song and won the audience over.

**Guest Speaker**

**Ski Olesky – Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairman**

**Barry Williams** recognized those who constructed the building, along with Facilities Management, the IT Staff, J. C. Cermontes, Derek Dimas all who keep the parks green. He thanked Leonor Montelongo, the Program Supervisor at South Park. He continued to recognize the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He expressed much appreciation for Annie Alvarez.

**Guest Speakers**

**Steve Carnell – Public Services Administrator**

**Kenan Jasper Allen, 8 years old** - read his thank you letter.

**Commissioner Tim Nance (District 5)**

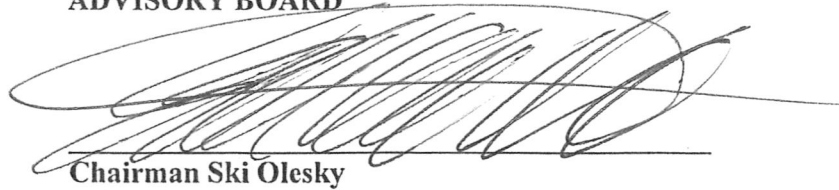
**Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart (R-Fla)**

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The ribbon was cut and refreshments were served.  
After the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony many people toured the facility.

**Ceremony was concluded at 11:15 A.M.**

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