

**Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
City Manager's Conference Room
August 20, 2018**

8/20/2018 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Present: Scott Blackburn, Little League; Robbie Shields, Lake Wales Soccer Club/Vice Chair; Burney Hayes, PAL; Laura Motis, Tennis, Jermaine Ward, Steelers Football; Kara Wiseman, Library

Guests: Richard DeLoach, LW Youth Football representing Pirates

Staff: Stephanie Edwards, Recreation Coordinator

Vice Chair Robbie Shields called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

2. Minutes

Scott Blackburn made a motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2018. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

3. Communications And Petitions

4. Multi-Purpose Complex / Soccer Field Lights

Mr. Shields distributed flyers with information about the upcoming free soccer camp and season. He explained about the TOP Soccer program for students with disabilities. Last year they had 15 participate. He reported that the fields are closed right now so they are playing elsewhere.

5. Kiwanis Park

Ms. Edwards had no update. Mr. Shields reported that football is going on. Parking concerns at different parks were discussed. The use of Tourist club was discussed.

6. Little League

Scott Blackburn said that repairs have begun but there is more damage than realized. More funding will be needed for this. Insurance is contributing \$17,000.

7. Lake Wailes Park

No update.

8. Lake Wailes Lake

Stephanie Edwards reported that Lake Cooper at 27 & Central will be the first lake to be cleaned out.

9. Gymnasium/Boys & Girls Club

Stephanie Edwards reported that Boys & Girls Club has been closed last week but now are back open. Bok Academy is on the schedule to use the gym and possibly McLaughlin. The possible use of Roosevelt gym was discussed. Ms. Edwards said that staffing was an issue.

10. Recreation Master Plan

Changes to Crystal Lake Park were discussed. Ms. Motis would like the park to be more attractive.

11. FRDAP Grants - Deadline Oct 15

Stephanie Edwards reported that we did not get the grants applied for last year. These were for lights at the

Soccer field and Lake Wailes Pavilion. She asked if we should apply for the same ones or others. Various ideas and needs were discussed. These included resurfacing basketball courts and lights and expanding tennis courts.

12. General Activities Discussion

YMCA - No update. Stephanie Edwards said that negotiation continues on the purchase of the Y.

Tennis - Laura Motis had no update.

Pram Fleet - Ms. Edwards reported that the Pram Fleet will start September 16th

PAL - Burney Hayes reported that football has started.

Lake Wales Library - Kara Wiseman said that they are back to regular programming and that one of her librarians is leaving. There were 158 kids that participated in the reading program. There were 4 that won major prizes. She distributed calendars to everyone.

Stephanie Edwards reported that the grand opening of the downtown trail is Friday which is across from the library.

Pirates Baseball- Richard Deloach reported that they started on July 28th and doing great. Things are running smooth. They are playing Sundays.

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is September 17, 2018.

Chair/Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary