

**Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
City Manager's Conference Room
November 18, 2019**

11/18/2019 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Present: Scott Blackburn- Chair, Kara Wiseman- Lake Wales Public Library, Patty McKeeman - Pram Fleet, Robbie Shields- Lake Wales Soccer Club, Burney Hayes - PAL, Laura Donaldson

Guests: Marvin Pavy - Lake Wales High School, Deborah Waldrip, Robert Lamar - Pram Fleet, Betty Bower

Staff: Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk; Stephanie Edwards, Recreation Coordinator

2. Communications And Petitions

Patty McKeeman shared that there is a memorial plaque for her mother on the Pram shed sponsored by the Board of Realtors. It will be transferred when they get a new building. This week is the last for the season. The next season begins in March.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the October 21, 2019 meeting were reviewed along with a draft of an executive summary. Jennifer Nanek said that Meryl Reese drafted the summary to be attached to the minutes to be put in Commissioner's boxes. Robbie Shields made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

4. Fee Structures

Ms. Edwards distributed a packet of information detailing recreation fees charged around the county in different cities. Every where else besides Lake Wales charges to use their facilities. The Chair reported on meetings with City Commissioners to discuss the need for user fees. Possible user fees and implementation were discussed. These fees could go towards improvements for facilities. Robbie Shields suggested that some fees could be defrayed with in-kind services. Ms. Edwards confirmed that the County allows for this. The Chair said this is a project we will work on for the next 6 months. He would like to bring a recommendation for fees to the Commission by May. Possible categories of users were discussed.

5. Parks And Recreation Updates

The Chair will speak to the City Commission tomorrow night on fees and the Crystal Lake Park Plan.

The Chair asked for approval to recommend bringing back the Lakes Advisory Committee. Kara Wiseman made a motion that the Chair recommend that the Lakes Advisory Commission be brought back. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is December 16, 2019.

Chair/Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary