

**Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
City Manager's Conference Room
December 16, 2020**

12/16/2019 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Members Present: Robbie Shields - Lake Wales Soccer Club, Keri Hunt, Robert Lamar - Pram Fleet, Andy Oguntola - Polk State College, Scott Blackburn - Lake Wales Little League, Kara Wiseman - Lake Wales Public Library, Jim Reddick

Guests - Kris Fitzgerald

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

2. Communications And Petitions

3. Minutes

The minutes of November 18, 2019 were reviewed.

4. Recreation Master Plan RFQ

Stephanie Edwards shared the RFQ for the Recreation Master Plan. It is a draft and asked for input. She reviewed what the City is looking for and what the goals are. The Chair asked what the budget for this is. Ms. Edwards said it is \$50,000. The Chair asked what the time frame is. Ms. Edwards said they are looking for a 15-20 year master plan. This project would take 6 months to a year to complete. The Chair said that any implementation will be done in two years. The master plan process was discussed and reviewed. The Chair reported that he spoke to the commission and said that he was disappointed that the work of the past 14 months was discarded because a few people disagreed. Robbie Shields said that we need new tennis courts now not two years from now. Andy Oguntola said that this planning process will give everyone a chance to speak. This issue was discussed. The budget for this year and next year was also discussed. A suggestion was made to recommend specific expenditures for next year's budget.

The recommendation of adding fees was discussed. The Chair stated that we will continue the process of developing a recommendation for fees for next year to submit to the commission.

5. Parks And Recreation Updates

Stephanie Edwards reported on recent special events and announced that Lake Wales Live is this week.

They are working on the bleacher awnings and hope to have them before season starts.

Jim Reddick recommended chairs for performance tents at Make it Magical. The Make it Magical event was discussed.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned. As the next regular meeting date is a holiday, the next meeting is January 13, 2020

Chair/Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary