



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Thursday, January 20, 2022

6:30 PM

City Hall Room 244

1. Call to Order

Chair Scheidel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Chair Scheidel, Board Member Parsotan, Board Member Murphy and Board Member Stevens

Absent 2 - Vice Chair Everett and Board Member Beaver

Also Present

Parks and Recreation Assistant Director and Staff Liaison Tricia Wisner, Aquatics Supervisor Patricia Sturgess, and Recording Secretary Amanda Baker

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes

[22-2065](#)

Approval of Minutes for the December 16, 2021 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

A motion was made by Board Member Murphy, seconded by Board Member Stevens, to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Chair Scheidel, Board Member Parsotan, Board Member Murphy and Board Member Stevens

Absent: 2 - Vice Chair Everett and Board Member Beaver

Ms. Wisner introduced Ms. Sturgess.

Ms. Sturgess provided an overview of her background and experience.

6. New Business

[21-1950](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Apps to Promote Park Information

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding tabling the item for next month, staff working on owning information within Google Maps, the current park finder app, and amenable components for lightning alerts.

There was consensus to continue this item to the next available meeting.

[22-2086](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Updates to the Existing Canine Club as per Capital Improvement Project

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding the available funds for the existing dog park, stipulations regarding additional materials, implementing community involvement, fencing quotes, modifying large dog side, improving the water fountain, and breaking concrete by the large dog entrance.

[22-2088](#) Discussion and Possible Action to Elect a Chair for 2022

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding continuing this item until all board members are present.

There was consensus to continue this item to the next available meeting.

[22-2089](#) Discussion and Possible Action to Elect a Vice-Chair for 2022

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding continuing this item until all board members are present.

There was consensus to continue this item to the next available meeting.

[22-2090](#) Discussion and Possible Action to Nominate a Representative to Serve as the North Port Representative on the Parks and Recreation Council.

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding the council's meeting schedule and location, and continuing this item until all board members are present.

There was consensus to continue this item to the next available meeting.

[22-2091](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Theme for the Poinsettia Festival for 2022.

Chair Scheidel announced the item.

Ms. Wisner spoke to the "Save the Date" notifications, staff recommendations, explained

the voting process, and requested Board nominations for the theme.

Discussion took place regarding tabling the item to be discussed at the next available meeting.

The first round of voting ended with Board Member Stevens voting for #20 "Winter Nights and Magical Lights" as the theme, Board Member Murphy voting for #8 "It's a Wonderful North Port Life" as the theme, which was seconded by Chair Scheidel, and Board Member Parsotan voting for #6 "Holiday Adventure" as the theme.

The second round of voting ended with Board Members Stevens and Murphy, and Chair Scheidel voting for #8 "It's a Wonderful North Port Life", and Board Member Parsotan voting for #20 "Winter Nights and Magical Lights".

The nomination of "It's a Wonderful North Port Life" for the 2022 Poinsettia Parade theme carried on the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chair Scheidel, Board Member Murphy and Board Member Stevens

No: 1 - Board Member Parsotan

Absent: 2 - Vice Chair Everett and Board Member Beaver

7. Updates

[21-1946](#)

Tricia Wisner: Update Regarding Upcoming Events

Ms. Wisner spoke to upcoming events including Newcomers Day, Learn to Swim lessons, Little League opening day, Woofstock, Say I Do Again, Kids' Night Out, and Movies on the Green.

[21-1947](#)

Tricia Wisner: Update on Weather Alert System at the North Port Aquatic Center

Ms. Wisner provided an update including funding options and a possible purchase date in August.

[21-1949](#)

Tricia Wisner: Update on Poll for the New Veterans Memorial Park

Ms. Wisner provided an update including the park name poll results and conceptual draft design being presented to Commission on February 1.

Discussion took place regarding the park name submitted by North Port High School and board recommendations.

[22-2087](#)

Board Member Hersh: Update Regarding the January 2022 Parks and Recreation Council (PARC) Meeting

There was consensus to continue this item to the next available meeting.

[22-2092](#)

Tricia Wisner: Review of Parks & Recreation's Social Media Metrics for December 2021

Ms. Wisner spoke to social media involvement.

[22-2093](#)

Tricia Wisner: Review of Parks & Recreation's Monthly Report for December 2021

Ms. Wisner spoke to increasing attendance at Warm Mineral Springs and the Aquatic Center, and an influx within recreation department.

8. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items include election of Board Chair and Vice-Chair, nominating a representation to serve as the North Port Representative on the Parks and Recreation Council, update on an app to promote park information, update regarding the January 2022 Parks and Recreation Council meeting, annual goals, and the annual report to the Board.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjournment

Chair Scheidel adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

By: _____
Chair

These minutes were approved on the ____ day of _____, 20__.