



# City of North Port

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

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Thursday, April 18, 2019

6:30 PM

CITY HALL ROOM 244

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### 1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in Room 244 by Chair Short.

### 2. Roll Call

**Present** 7 - Chair Robin Short, Vice-Chair Melina Frederick, Board Member Maureen Coble, Board Member James Scheidel, Board Member Gail Stevens, Board Member Cheryl Williamson, and Board Member Grayce Oney

### Also Present:

Jonathan Wheatley, Recreation Supervisor; Ed Exner, Sarasota County Liaison; and Recording Secretary Ida Goodman.

### 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

### 4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

### 5. Approval of Minutes

A. [19-0373](#) Minutes for the March 21, 2019 Regular Meeting.

This item was tabled to the next meeting.

### 6. New Business

A [19-0420](#) Discussion on Potential Dog Park Locations

Mr. Wheatley reviewed the Spring/Summer Parks & Recreation brochure which includes a list of all parks and park locations. Board member Scheidel reported he visited all the Parks and provided his suggestions on where a dog park could be located.

Discussion ensued regarding suggested locations, Butler Park, Pine Park and McKibben Park, City owned property, conditions and maintenance issues at the current dog park, West Villages dog park, undeveloped property on Citizens Parkway, designated future land use for Boca Chica Park and public input on the development of a new dog park.

***A motion was made by Board Member Scheidel, seconded by Board Member Williamson that the Discussion on Potential Dog Park Locations be included on the next Agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.***

## 7. Updates

- A. [19-0158](#) Ed Exner: Sarasota County Athletics Updates
- Mr. Exner provided updates including application of pest control and aeration of all sports fields, quarterly walk thru inspection, Atwater Park, Huskies Football schedule, George Mullen Activity Center, Narramore Sports Complex and Dallas White Park.
- B. [19-0159](#) Tricia Wisner: City of North Port Parks & Recreation Program and Activity Recap
- Mr. Wheatley provided an update regarding George Mullen Activity Center Summer Camp, Movie on the Green, Tea Time, Flash Light and "Eggnormous" Egg Hunts, Narramore Sports Complex Kick Ball League, Teen Dodge Ball, landscaping upgrades at the Parks, the North Port Aquatic Facility, and promotion of upcoming events.
- C. [19-0160](#) Tricia Wisner: City of North Port Parks & Recreation Upcoming Programs and Events
- Mr. Wheatley provided updates regarding events to include Yoga at the Garden of 5 Senses, Concert in the Park, Newcomer Day and Kids to Park Day.
- E. [19-0162](#) Tricia Wisner: Upcoming Parks & Recreation Items Scheduled at City Commission meetings
- Mr. Wheatley provided the items scheduled at upcoming City Commission meetings including City Wide Sponsorship Agreement, Amendment to the Aquatic Center, and Warm Mineral Springs Master Plan.
- D. [19-0161](#) Tricia Wisner: Update on Parks & Recreation Capital Projects
- Mr. Wheatley provided an update regarding Myakatchee Creek Greenway Project, Boundless Adventures Playground, Disc Golf Course, Environmental Park Improvements, North Port Aquatic Facility, Warm Mineral Springs Master Plan, Atwater Park Phase 5, Butler Park playground, and Atwater Park Splash Pad.
- Discussion ensued regarding the location of the proposed Disc Golf Course.
- F. [19-0163](#) Tricia Wisner: Update on Upcoming Parks & Recreation Volunteer Opportunities
- Mr. Wheatley provided volunteer opportunities including Concert In The Park and Freedom Festival, noting the Freedom Festival will be held at the Atlanta Braves Stadium.

## 8. Future Agenda Items

***A motion was made by Board Member Coble, seconded by Board Member Scheidel to include an update on the Freedom Festival on the next Agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.***

Agenda items for the next meeting will include Discussion on Potential Dog Park Locations, all standing items and Freedom Festival Update.

Subsequent to acknowledging that Kody Parsotan's term on the Board will expire May 8, 2019, Members thanked him for his service.

## 9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## 10. Adjournment

Chair Short adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

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Robin Short, Chair

Minutes were approved at the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.