

CITY COUNCIL & PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
1000 CITY CENTER CIRCLE
PORT ORANGE, FL
JUNE 18, 2018

THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Mayor Donald O. Burnette at 5:01 p.m.

OPENING

Parks & Recreation Roll Call:

Present: John Cameron
Robert Maxwell
Patricia Barraco
Bobby Ball (arrived at 5:06 p.m.)
Maria Mills-Benat
Julie Day
James Richard
Jack Wiles, Chair

Absent: Mark Bowling
Michael Navarra

City Council Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Bob Ford (arrived at 5:11 p.m.)
Councilman Chase Tramont
Councilman Drew Bastian
Vice Mayor Scott Stiltner (arrived at 5:17 p.m.)
Mayor Donald Burnette

Also Present: City Attorney Margaret Roberts
Assistant City Manager Alan Rosen
City Clerk Robin Fenwick

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Discussion regarding Priorities for Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, specifically Gamble Place, a sports complex, and community center

Gamble Place: Jack Wiles, Chairman, discussed efforts with maintaining and possibly purchasing the property from the Museum of Arts and Sciences. He'd like to discuss the options for the property before discussion of purchasing it with them. Member Mills-Benat said the cottages and other buildings are deteriorating but the Museum

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volunteers are taking care of the inside of the buildings. The grounds are in bad shape and overgrown. Mayor Burnette discussed the issues with the property and other priorities. Chair Wiles would rather discuss options for the Russell Property along Spruce Creek as it is already owned by the City and is not being used by the taxpayers. Mayor Burnette asked Mr. Rosen to find out what options are available to the City for use of the Russell Property.

Chair Wiles discussed co-sponsored teams and the usage of the fields. Revenues are down and approximately 30-40% of the players are not Port Orange residents. He is concerned the competitive teams are using too much of the field times and will not be available for the recreation program. The Board will discuss the co-sponsored teams further at their next meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the field at White Place. Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director, discussed options for the park. The Board will discuss those options further at their next meeting and provide a recommendation to Council.


The current gym is being converted to a community center and discussions are being held with ArtHaus to move them to the community center.

Chair Wiles presented numbers relating to ECHO and Volusia Forever. He asked Council to provide direction relating to a referendum to move away from ECHO and Volusia Forever. Council would like to explore the options further.

Councilman Tramont asked if the concern of the Atlantic High School students regarding field lighting was handled. Ms. Lovallo said a response was provided. Council asked the Board to discuss this at their next meeting to determine if there is a need for added lighting.


Council and the Board agreed to continue meeting quarterly.

ADJOURNMENT - 6:10 p.m.



Mayor Donald O. Burnette

Attest:



Robin Fenwick, CMC
City Clerk