

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL, BOCA RATON
October 15, 2018

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Robert K. Rollins, Jr. at 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Craig F. Ehrnst
Steven M. Engel
Robert K. Rollins, Jr.
Susan Vogelgesang
Erin A. Wright

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

At the request of Commissioner Ehrnst, and with Board concurrence, Don Estridge Middle School was added to the agenda as item #1 under Regular Business.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

Boca Raton City Council Member Andrea O'Rourke thanked the Board for its participation in the "Art in Public Places" program. She reviewed the progress of the program, and extended an invitation to the first public art project reveal at Red Reef Park on October 20th at 11:00 a.m.

Robert DuKate referred to an article in the Palm Beach Post stating that Palm Beach County will spend over \$4 million on its golf courses due to the revenue generated from its 27-hole golf course structures. He clarified the perception that Boca Teeca residents want to recreate the old Ocean Breeze golf course; they do not; they want to see improvements.

Garth Duffgray, representing the Boca Youth Rugby organization, stated that Don Estridge is its home field. He appealed to the Board to consider and contemplate the needs of the Rugby community. He suggested putting some rugby lines down at Patch Reef Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS: - None

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Don Estridge Middle School

Commissioner Ehrnst advised that he received a phone call from Palm Beach County School Board Chairman Frank Barbieri, seeking written notice from the District to temporarily suspend the current interlocal agreement to allow the School Board to utilize the track/rectangular field at Don Estridge for portable units to facilitate school construction/improvements.

Ms. Briann Harms, Assistant District Director attended an earlier School Board meeting and discussed the various options available. She will meet with the City's Recreation Director on October 18th to discuss how to accommodate the groups that will be displaced in recreation services. Suggestions by the Board included retro-fitting the track/rectangular field at Boca Raton Middle and utilizing Ocean Strand.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst that the District temporarily agrees to suspend its interlocal agreement with the School Board with the intent of negotiating an amendment to the agreement, to allow the School Board to proceed with its usage of the track/field at Don Estridge.

Discussion:

Commissioner Rollins offered that the District is open to temporarily suspending the interlocal agreement in return for the School Board moving forward with construction/improvements at Boca Middle School.

Mr. Goren, General Legal Counsel advised that some amount of time should be allocated in the motion so that the issue of compliance is not a concern going forward.

Mr. Koski felt it was prudent to first have discussions with the School Board to see if they are amendable to developing Boca Middle, and then seek a commitment from them that they would allow construction of a replacement facility at Boca Middle.

MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF SECOND

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst that the District agrees to work with the School Board to amend the Don Estridge interlocal agreement to facilitate the future use of a field; however, it is the intent of the District to find appropriate usage for the existing field players and we look for the School District to support whatever is needed at another field.

MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF SECOND

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Wright to designate the District's Executive Director to work together with the Palm Beach County School Board to amend the interlocal agreement currently in place to facilitate the future use of fields and define appropriate usages for the fields in the context of the School Board's request to implement a new program for the use of the property.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

1(a) Sugar Sand Park – Playground Surface Update

Ms. Melissa Dawson, District Facilities Manager, and Recreation Services staff met with the manufacturer's representative that installed the playground surface. The representative noted that there were issues with the terra cotta color, and that the company will resurface the entire terra cotta area at no charge. In addition, some high-wear material will be installed underneath the swings at no cost. Improvements will take place in November.

2. Swim & Racquet Center – Bridge Inspection

Ms. Dawson furnished two quotes for the inspection of the subject bridge.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve Bolton Perez & Associates to inspect the bridge at the Swim & Racquet Center at a cost of \$3,200.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Swim & Racquet Center – Thorguard Lightning System

Ms. Dawson advised that the lightning system needs to be relocated from the top of the Tennis Pro Shop. Two quotes for installation of a 50 ft. pole were provided.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the proposal from Gulfstream Athletic Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$7,925 to install a concrete pole at the Swim & Racquet Center.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

4. ADA Compliance and Mobile Compatibility Work Order for 7 District Websites

Ms. Harms provided a work order from Achieve Agency (the District's current website contractor) in the amount of \$45,500 to redesign all six current District sites to get them ADA Compliant and also to be compatible with mobile devices. The price includes developing a new website for Boca National Golf Club. A Willow Theatre viewing feature at a cost of \$3,500 was deleted from the work order. This action is being done on an emergency basis.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to engage Achieve Agency to update the District's current six websites, and design a new website for Boca National Golf Course at a cost of \$42,000.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

5. Patch Reef Park – Artificial Turf Request for Bids

Mr. Koski has reviewed the bid documents and advised that the project is ready to go out to bid. The time of completion is August 11, 2019. Ms. Dawson discussed the size and lining of the fields; rugby lines/tick marks will be added to the northeast field.

6. Patch Reef Park – Tennis Courts

Ms. Dawson discussed the short and long-term options for resolving the surface issues at the subject facility. Mr. Koski suggested seeking a tennis court designer to diagnose the surface problem and offer solutions. An evaluation from a third party was recommended.

Commissioner Wright left the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to have staff proceed with identifying a third party to give an independent assessment of the tennis courts at Patch Reef Park, and to proceed with the painting of one court at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.

MOTION APPROVED 4-0

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to approve the invoices as presented totaling \$292,354.60.

MOTION APPROVED 4-0

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director

Boca National Golf Club - Mr. Koski furnished a report and update from the Price/Fazio design team which included geotechnical and engineering reports.

District Counsel-None

Commissioners

District Offices at Swim & Racquet Center - Commissioner Engel inquired about the timeframe for moving the District offices to the Swim & Racquet Center.

Mr. Mike Fichera, District Construction Consultant informed that a temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO) is expected by October 16. The primary goal is to move aquatic staff out of the trailers and move tennis staff out of the Pro Shop to commence construction.

Mr. Koski suggested that it may be appropriate to move part of the District staff to the new location and continue to retain a presence at Sugar Sand Park.

National Park & Recreation Association - Commissioner Ehrnst provided information on his recent attendance at the NRPA convention held in Indianapolis in September.

Demolition Work at Boca National - Chairman Rollins inquired about the status of the demolition work at Boca National. Mr. Fichera advised that asbestos removal at the hotel will commence October 16; at about the three-week mark, all of the buildings on the corner will be demolished.


FUTURE AGENDA ITEM -

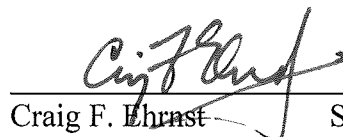
November 5 - Swim & Racquet Center Bridge Inspection
- Patch Reef Park Tennis Courts

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:23 p.m.

MOTION APPROVED 4-0


Robert K. Rollins, Jr. Chairman


Craig F. Ehrnst Secretary-Treasurer