

City of Fort Pierce
Parks Advisory Committee Meeting
May 13, 2021 @ 10:00am
City Hall – Commission Chambers

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 10:16am.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Recited by the Committee.

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Charlene Adair, Mark Arlington, Bob Burdge, Dr. Susan Hamburger, Martha Wright, and Patty Reconco on conference call.

Absent: Ionis Jefferson-Knowles

Staff Present: Kaitlyn Ballard, Mike Reals, and Tanya White

4. **Approval of Minutes from the April 8, 2021, Meeting**

Motion was made by **Charlene Adair**, seconded by **Bob Burdge**, to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2021, meeting with the correction below.

6a. Old Business – The presentation was accepted by the Parks Advisory Committee with a few changes.

All in Favor. **Motion passed.**

5. **Old Business**

a. Update - Coach Fenn Park Reconstruction Project

The permit has been adopted and there were no issues from the Commission. The River Walk Center will be made aware of all of this information as well.

b. Update on Special Use Permit for vendors in City Parks

The permit applications will be housed at the River Walk Center. Staff will verify with Michelle Kubitscheck that the permit forms are ready to be distributed. The committee would like to see this initiative advertised more via press release, social media, and the city's website.

c. Discuss Adopt-a-Park Program and finalize recommendations to KFPB Advisory Board.

The Adopt-a-Park program from Port St. Lucie was reviewed as a guide for the City's Adopt-a-Park Program. Changes to the program include; one adult to every ten kids, same fee structure, 501(c) must provide documentation, must indicate group size and

name, must clean a minimum of four times per year, supplies will be provided to groups, and groups must notify the contact person before cleanup.

6. **New Business**

a. Park Impact Fee

A park impact fee was mentioned by a committee member as a possible source of revenue. Topic to discuss future would be how the money could be spent and which parks could be included in this.

7. **Comments from the Public** – There were no comments from the public.

8. **Board Discussion**

Charlene Adair discussed the need for city Parks to be wheelchair accessible. Discussion included the possibility of committee members visiting city parks, to see which ones are wheelchair accessible. Wheel Chair accessibility was a topic discussed at the previous City Conference Agenda.

9. **Staff Discussion**

There is a local group that would like to donate funds for facility improvements at Ilouis Park at 1211 Avenue M.

Part of the donation could possibly be used to replace the playset at Jaycee Park at S. Ocean Drive and Melaleuca Drive.

10. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 11:26am.