

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 N. US HIGHWAY 1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 10:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson, Renella Mitchell, called the October 16, 2025 Parks Advisory Committee Meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present: Bob Burdge; Chase Whitaker; Mary Ann Durkin; Ionis Jefferson; Renella Mitchell

Staff Present: Marsha Commond, Special Projects Coordinator  
Brittany Meredith, Deputy City Clerk

**3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Any person who wishes to comment on any subject on this Agenda may be heard at this time. Please sign the sign-up sheet in order to speak. Please limit your comments to no more than five (5) minutes, as this section of the Agenda is limited to thirty minutes. The Parks Advisory Committee will not be able to take any official action under "Comments from the Public" section.

No Comments

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the August 21, 2025, Parks Advisory Committee Meeting

Motion was made by Ionis Jefferson, seconded by Bob Burdge to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2025 Parks Advisory Committee Meeting

AYE: Bob Burdge, Chase Whitaker, Ionis Jefferson, Mary Ann Durkin, Renella Mitchell  
Passed

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. September 18th Field Trip Review

Special Projects Coordinator, Marsha Commond, gave the recap of the September 18 Field Trip. The Board discussed the items that were outstanding at each of the parks. Pinewood Park had no electricity and leaks at one of the pavilions. The Maravilla Park had multiple issues in the restrooms, no yellow visual aide stripe around the benches, the trees needed trimming, the playground equipment was dirty, and the need for a sidewalk from the handicap parking lot to the building. They mentioned how nice the dog park was at Maravilla Park. The Public Works Director, Jason Atkinson, let the board know the restrooms throughout all the parks need refurbishment.

b. Pioneer Park Plaque Program Update

Ms. Commond gave an update on the Pioneer Park Plaque Program. She let them know the program needs updated guidelines, more public and church involvement, and they would possibly need to narrow the number of plaques from 16 to a smaller number. This project will also need a project manager. The Board would like to request the City Manager to find the funds for this project as it has been held up for a few years now.

**6. BOARD & STAFF DISCUSSION**

The board discussed a complaint Ms. Durkin had received about the overgrown Sea Grapes. They will discuss this at the next meeting.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson, Renella Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 11:20 A.M.