

**Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
City Commission Chambers
February 20, 2023**

2/20/2023 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Members Present: Laura Donaldson - Citizen, Robbie Shields - Vice Chair, Patty McKeeman - Pram Fleet, Kara Wiseman - Library

Staff Present: Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk; Stephanie Lutton, Support Services/Recreation Manager; Sara Irvine, Special Projects Manager

A Quorum was not present.

In absence of the chair Vice-Chair Robbie Shields called the meeting to order.

2. Communications And Petitions

Robbie Shields shared about the meeting at Lake Ashton where the Mayor and the City Manager were present discussing city concerns. A suggestion was made for a disc golf course. This was discussed.

Mr. Shields said there was a problem with ants at soccer fields. Patty McKeeman said there are lots of ants near the pram shed as well..

3. Minutes

The minutes were reviewed. Ms. Laura Donaldson said she was present at the August meeting. Ms. Nanek said she would make that correction. As there was no quorum the minutes could not be approved.

3.I. Minutes - August 15, 2022

3.II. Minutes - November 21, 2022

4. Recreation Trails Program Grant Application

Sara Irvine reviewed the proposed Recreation Trails Program Grant. Hale Innovation is helping the City to apply and manage the grants. Stephanie Lutton shared a map of a proposed 12ft wide trail around Kiwanis Park connecting the Lake Wales Trailways with the Lake Wailes Trail and other features of Kiwanis Park. She said this is a conceptual plan. More detailed plans will be brought to the Recreation Commission for review. This project was discussed. Mr. Shields asked if this is part of the Recreation Master Plan. Ms. Lutton confirmed that it is. There was consensus among the Commission to recommend approval of the proposed grant application.

5. User Fee Discussion

Ms. Lutton shared a list of proposed user fees of parks and facilities based on information gathered from other cities and reviewed them. These were discussed. She asked for input on how much to charge per participant. There was consensus to charge \$5 per participant.

6. Parks And Recreation Updates

Ms. Lutton said the next movie night is Saturday in Downtown Trail. There will be a City Easter Egg hunt on April 8

She is working on a partnership with the Arts Center and Mainstreet to improve Lake Wales Live events.

Jennifer Nanek said the Polk Senior Games Basketball Shooting is Wednesday March 1.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

Chair/Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary