

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**MINUTES**  
**4:30PM – GROWTH MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**MARTIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**  
**2401 SE MONTEREY RD STUART, FL 34996**

**PRESENT**

District 2 Vice Chair.....Casey Cass  
District 4..... Larry Sofield  
District 5..... David Bradford Jr  
At-Large..... Michael Bocchino  
At-Large..... Gary Clough  
At-Large, Chair ..... Jack Mathison

**ABSENT**

District 1..... Vacant  
District 3..... Anthony Burr  
At-Large..... Craig Taylor

**STAFF PRESENT**

Recreation Planning & Grant Coordinator ..... Katie Comack

**OTHERS PRESENT**

\* Indicates a motion

\*\* Indicates a vote

\*\*\* For the record comment

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS**

NONE

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Approval of Minutes: June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 MINUTES**

**\*\* Larry Sofield motioned to approve Minutes.**

**\*\* Michael Bocchino seconded, and the motion carried 6-0**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Alicia Winterbottom, Vice President of Martin County Mavericks, shared their baseball program needs additional field space. Alicia shared the league prefers the previous Wojciezak park development plans be used.

David Wojciezak shared support for Martin County Mavericks and expressed there should be policy in place for field space allocations.

Lauren Wojciezak shared support for Martin County Mavericks and their need for additional field spaces.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Sheriff’s Department Update**

NONE

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Heads Up**

Larry Sofield asked about the vandalism at the Langford’s baseball field bathrooms. Katie Comack shared the repairs were completed and bathrooms reopened today.

Larry Sofield asked about the Lost River Outdoor Center closing operations at Halpatiokee Regional Park. Katie Comack shared the business submitted notification to the county to terminate current lease. Discussion.

**8. CAPITAL PROJECT LISTING**

Katie Comack shared how to access the current capital projects.

**9. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT RELATED ITEMS TO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

NONE

**10. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Michael Bocchino shared report from recent meeting September 9<sup>th</sup>. Functional classification update was presented with usage review of all roads within the county. The East Ocean Blvd safety audit was shared. The next joint meeting will be October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Discussion.

**11. RECAP OF ACTION ITEMS FOR MEMO TO BOCC**

**12. COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

**1. Date of Next Meeting**

Jack Mathison informed the members that the next meeting will take place on October 17<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30PM. The location of the next meeting will be at the Growth Management Conference Room, Martin County Administrative Center, 2401 SE Monterey Road Stuart, FL 34996.

**2. Members**

David Bradford Jr asked about when the Master Plan would be presented and reviewed with the PRAB. Discussion.

Michael Bocchino asked about the budget approval process with the commission. Michael also shared compliments to staff about the addition of AEDs at Langford and other county parks. Discussion.

Larry Sofield asked about cameras in parks to assist with deterring vandalism. Discussion.

**3. Staff**

NONE

**4. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16pm.

**\* Larry Sofield motioned to adjourn the meeting.**

**\*\* Michael Bocchino seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.**