

May 15, 2025
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 3..... Doug Smith
District 4..... Larry Sofield
District 5..... Chris Pinkston
At-Large..... Michael Bocchino
At-Large..... Gary Clough
At-Large, Chair Jack Mathison
At-Large..... Allan Mostoff

ABSENT

District 1..... Vacant
District 2 Vice Chair..... Casey Cass

STAFF PRESENT

Recreation Planning & Grant Coordinator Katie Comack
Parks and Recreation Deputy Director..... Kevin Kirwin

OTHERS PRESENT

Sheriff's Department..... Deputy Joe Angelico

*** Indicates a motion**

**** Indicates a vote**

***** For the record comment**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS

NONE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes: April 10, 2025 MINUTES

**** M. Bocchino motioned to approve Minutes.**

**** J. Mathison seconded, and the motion carried 7- 0**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

5. PRESENTATIONS

1. Sheriff's Department Update

Deputy Angelico shared the department is continuing to address homeless population with providing resources, transportation and options. Discussion.

*Allan Mostoff arrived to meeting at 4:38pm. Chris Pinkston arrived to meeting at 4:41pm.

2. Proposed FY26 Operating Budget

Kevin Kirwin shared an overview of proposed FY26 Operating Budget. Discussion.

Kevin also shared an update of current department projects. Discussion

6. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

7. NEW BUSINESS

1. Heads Up

Michael Bocchino asked about the facility status due to fire at Langford Dockside Pavilion at Indian Riverside Park. Kevin Kirwin shared the facility sustained fire and water damage. The plans for renovation are being added to the previous plans to the lower level of building. Discussion.

Doug Smith shared issues and safety concerns at Doc Myers park baseball fields. Discussion.

Chris Pinkston shared concern over limited parking at Lance Corporal Justin Wilson park. Discussion.

Jack Mathison asked for an update on the Master Plan. Kevin Kirwin shared the plan will be presented to the PRAB after meetings with the commissioners are completed. Discussion.

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

May 20th

- **Charlie Leighton Park and Boat Ramp Award**

Kevin Kirwin shared update on project. Discussion.

- **Permission to Accept for Urban Forestry Grant for planting native trees along Willoughby Creek at Sailfish Sands Golf Course**

Kevin Kirwin shared information about the grant.

9. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Michael Bocchino shared update from May 6th meeting. FDOT shared information about 4-year program focus for pedestrian and bicycle needs including bike paths, crosswalks and shared use trails. A Long-range transportation plan for 2025-2050 was presented. Discussion.

10. RECAP OF ACTION ITEMS FOR MEMO TO BOCC

NONE

11. COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

1. Date of Next Meeting

G. Clough informed the members that the next meeting will take place on June 19th , 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

NONE

3. Staff

NONE

4. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44pm.

*** D. Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting.**

**** J. Mathison seconded, and the motion carried 7- 0.**

Gary Clough, Vice Chair

Date

Kevin V. Abbate, Parks and Recreation Director, MPA, CPRP

Date