

Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Committee MINUTES March 18, 2024 7:00 PM

Community Center Fish Bowl

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Logan called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

The following members of the Committee were present:

Present: Chair Retta Logan, Vice Chair Frank MacBride, Committee Member Becky Manuel, and Committee Member Marta Olchyk.

Absent: Committee Member Christopher Cook.

Also Present: Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian and Committee Liaison Vice Mayor Jeff Rose.

2. Agenda and Order of Business

3. Approval of Minutes

3A. February 20, 2024 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes - Sandra N. McCready, Town Clerk

A motion was made by Committee Member Manuel to approve the February 20, 2024 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes, seconded by Vice Chair MacBride. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

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4. Discussion Items

Parks and Recreation Director Milian thanked all the Committee Members for their dedication and service. He encouraged them to apply again for this committee and this might be the last meeting depending if the Commission appoints new members.

4A. 96th Street Park Update - Tim Milian, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Director Milian provided an update on the item. Hen spoke regarding the soccer program. He spoke regarding the progress of the park and the

playground equipment that has been installed. He stated the building is taking shape and they are still shooting for April.

Chair Logan asked if April would be 4 months behind.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated the original date was December. He also stated that there were drone shots that were taken of the park's progress.

4B. Spring Program Update - Tim Milian, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian provided an update on the item. He spoke regarding the display and they have so many snowbirds during the winter they are doing it early this year but the program will be up and running through May. He stated the art was very nice and the program predates him. He provided an update on the soccer program. He spoke regarding the lap swimming and they eliminated the back to back hours for lap swimming and they put within the guidelines, he does not want staff to be the lane police or banning residents. He is hoping that as they continue going along and if they do not show within a 15 minute period they will remove them from the schedule and open up the lane.

Chair Logan asked how they would be doing that and were a lot of people booking 2 hours.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian addressed the comment made and stated yes, there were individuals booking 2 hours. He stated this will be something they would have to govern and will free up some lanes and times. He stated that the pool temperature is set at 86 or 87 degrees.

4C. 5k Run Recap - Tim Milian, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian provided an update on the item. Chair Logan placed first in her age group and congratulated her.

Chair Logan asked if all 3 municipalities had their 5K run the same day.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated they did and our race was communicated with Bay and Bal Harbour. He spoke regarding how they went about picking the date and explained that there will always be 5Ks being held by other municipalities. He stated they had 184 participants and spoke regarding the course. He spoke regarding the numbers of the past 5Ks.

Chair Logan stated many individuals use this as training for the 305 half marathon.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian spoke regarding the weather and it was a perfect date. He spoke regarding the Spring Egg Hunt and it was great event. He spoke regarding the feedback of the shirts. He stated these dates are thought out and they have to pick whatever they feel is conducive.

4D. Pool Maintenance Update - Tim Milian, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian provided an update on the item. He stated they got everything completed except for some tiles on the steps to the pool that are not ready to be done yet because they did not get them in time for this maintenance but they will get them done and will probably do it in the winter.

Committee Member Olchyk asked if it was safe.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated it is and he stated that it is something that can wait and be done in the winter. He spoke regarding what maintenance was done and completed. He stated they coordinated with the slide and water tot lot maintenance. They are still pending, which will be a budget item for this year, to get the slide and water tot lot done extensively.

5. Public Comments

Chair Logan opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Chair Logan closed the floor to public comments.

Vice Chair MacBride asked regarding the fence repair and complying with the YMCA.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated it is an item to be budgeted and stated it was the erosion has moved inland and moved the sand and sod. He explained what the issue is with the fence, sod and fence. He stated they are looking at either raising the entire fence or removing it.

Chair Logan asked if they could take the opportunity to raise it to 6 feet.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated they will probably suggest at 5 feet. He stated that before they were thinking of raising it for people to not come in. He stated they also want to look at some alternatives and possibly.

Vice Chair MacBride asked if they would push the sand back out.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated he Corps of Engineers would have to be involved so they are looking at replacing the fence and possibly in sections.

Discussion among the Committee Members and Parks and Recreation Director Milian took place regarding the sand, sod and replacement of the fence as well as pool hours.

Committee Member Olchyk asked regarding the receptionist and you do not see the same person and they don't get to know you and why they have such a turnover.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated they have some part timers and Allen is full time and is there monday through friday. He stated it depends who it is and Allen comes in later than 8 am. He stated he is there from Tuesday through Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Committee Member Olchyk stated the restrooms are not clean and she has taken staff there to see that they are not clean. She believes that needs to be looked into.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated he will address it and will look at the check list.

Committee Member Olchyk asked regarding the time frame when the building will be utilized fully at the 96th Street Park and will they be allowed to make reservations for party.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated they will open that communication to the Committee. He stated they are limited in space and if they start renting it out it will limit the use for the public and there is limited parking. He stated traditionally they never rented that park. He stated the kayak launch will be restricted to residents only. He explained that they will keep the senior program at the Community Center.

Committee Member Olchyk spoke regarding the great attendance of the programs.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated they had a record number for the senior brunch. He stated they had 45 attending. He stated they are doing a train station trip.

Vice Chair MacBride asked regarding if there was any conversation with the Town Manager or Mayor regarding the kayak rental business.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated not as of yet.

Committee Member Olchyk asked regarding what they are trying to convey about a second floor to the Community Center.

Chair Logan stated that Vice Mayor Rose stated the Committee Member Olchyk could not support a second floor and that was not accurate.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian stated that any building would support a second floor if built that way. He explained the process in the past and they will need an engineer to come in to determine if the building could support a second floor.

Further discussion took place among the Committee Members and Parks and Recreation Director Milian regarding a possible second floor at the community center.

Committee Member Manuel asked the status of the tennis center.

Parks and Recreation Director Milian it is still in the design stage.

Vice Chair MacBride asked if they did any research regarding the ruling of how many meetings a member can miss before being removed.

Former Deputy Clerk Herbello stated it is 3 and then it must go to the commission.

6. Next Meeting Date

6A. Next Meeting Date: April 15th, 2024 at 5:30pm - Sandra N. McCready, Town Clerk

Former Deputy Clerk Herbello provided the next meeting date to the Committee being April 15, 2024 unless a new committee is appointed.

Consensus was reached by the Committee.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice Chair MacBride to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m., seconded by Committee Member Manuel. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Accepted this **20** day of **May**, 2024.

Chair

Attest:

Sandra N. McCready

Town Clerk