City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 10, 2019

8:15 AM

The Board meets the second Thursday of every month.

Coral Gables Youth Center, 405 University Drive, Coral Gables, FL

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

CALL TO ORDER

@ 8:20 AM

ROLL CALL

Present:

Kirk Menendez
Wifredo Fernandez
Nancy Leslie
Desmond Gonzalez
Carlos Hernandez
Felix Pardo
Charlie Rua

Absent:

Deborah Swain

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Felix Pardo motioned to approve the minutes this was seconded by Nancy Leslie. The board voted in favor unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fred Couceyro opened his report discussing the Holiday Park break down and the upcoming special event season which will include Carnival on the mile, Chili Cookoff, and St. Patricks Day. Also Fred discussed the upcoming Farmer's Market season.

Fred discussed the ongoing conversation with the Gables Station development and MiamiDade County regarding the dog park which will be paid for by Gables Station. Fred reviewed onging capital projects, William H. Kerdyk Biltmore Tennis Center, Youth Center Fitness Trail, Youth Center Playground and the dome of the Youth Center Center repairs. Fred also discussed the upcoming meeting regarding the master plan.

Fred discussed the ongoing Park Maintenance expansion of scope and staff increases. Fred also discussed the Lemar Louise Curry Park which will be going into the design phase

Fred discussed the roll out of the Solar Bench Program, and the upcoming ribbon cutting on Feb. 8th, 2019.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Kirk Menendez brought of the discussing how the City monitors the amount of traffic in parks. Fred explained that the City has seen that every park gets alot of used and the City sometimes plans to purchase land for the future.

Nancy Leslie asked what is going on with the Jr. Orange Bowl Parade and Fred explained that the City currently has a meeting set up to discuss the future of the JOB and what the parade will look like in the future. Felix Pardo brought up the point that he feels if a parade is done right it can be very successful. Felix suggested that the JOB parade be held on the same day as the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

NEXT MEETING: FEB. 14TH 2019 @ 8:15AM

ADJOURNMENT

@ 9:35AM

NOTE