

**MINUTES
BAY OAKS RECREATIONAL CAMPUS
ADVISORY BOARD (BORCAB)**

Town Hall
2525 Estero Blvd.
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931
Thursday, December 20, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chair Simpson.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Members present: Dan Allers, Becky Bodnar, Betty Simpson and Rae Sprole.

Excused: Janna Holmes

Absent: Dave Anderson and Lee Melsek.

Staff present: Director Sean DePalma and Sarah Mayher.

Council liaison: Tracey Gore

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 28, 2018, September 13, 2018 & November 15, 2018

MOTION: Ms. Sprole moved to approve the June 28, 2018 minutes; second by Mr. Allers.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Allers moved to approve the September 13, 2018 as amended; second by Ms. Sprole.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Amended: In the September minutes, Mr. Melsek moved to adjourn and Ms. Bodnar seconded.

MOTION: Mr. Allers moved to approve the November 15, 2018 minutes; second by Ms. Sprole.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT - no public comment

VI. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Strategic Plan Update

Ms. Mayher invited discussion and comments regarding the plan. Discussion was held regarding attainable goals, priorities and grouping similar actions to condense the plan.

Director DePalma will send it back to Ms. Canseco and he and staff will group and organize actions, eliminate duplication and make the plan easier to read. Mr. Allers commented that it will be important to hear Mr. DePalma's suggestions or options after the plan was condensed. Ms. Bodnar noted that it was too abstract as it was presented and she preferred specifics. Director DePalma noted that specifics will follow the consolidated plan. Chair Simpson invited Mayor Gore to comment on the plan. Mayor Gore agreed that condensing the plan would make it easier to understand. Discussion was held regarding inserting information with the water bill. Ms. Sprole stated that the Town's website was difficult to navigate and it would be helpful if it was more user-friendly. Director DePalma will contact the Town Manager regarding the website.

B. Mayor & Council Initiative Update

Director DePalma met with CRAB (Community Resource Advisory Board) to invite them to participate in joint a planning session with BORCAB regarding the Heart of the Island initiative. He was unable to attend the meeting to invite HPAC (Historic Preservation Advisory Committee) to the planning session due to the lack of a quorum. Mr. Allers suggested that PSC (Public Safety Committee) be involved with the planning session. Director DePalma explained that they were not ready for input from the PSC concerning the new parcel of land at the present time. Chair Simpson discussed how the new entrance was entwined with the Heart of the Island. Director DePalma stated that geographically, the new parcel of land and Bay Oaks were within the Heart of the Island initiative, but they were being discussed as two different matters because they were at two different stages. Mr. Allers questioned how they could do one without the other. Mayor Gore noted that the Strategic Plan started before the land swap. Director DePalma explained the selection process for the design team.

C. Department Update

Ms. Mayher noted that the report was provided as an update and she welcomed questions. Director DePalma noted that pickleball was cancelled due to work on the backboards and scoreboards in the gymnasium. He indicated that the pickleball courts expanded from 6 courts to 11 in the past year.

Director DePalma provided an update on the pool resurfacing project and installation of the new aquatic playground in the kiddie pool. Due to the age of the system, a firm will be selected to work on the project.

Director DePalma noted that several new programs will be rolled out throughout the calendar year. Ms. Sprole suggested hosting one-day events for activities that did not require a long-term commitment.

Director DePalma described events surrounding the Town's Birthday Party. He noted the cupcake ladies will distribute cupcakes at Times Square from 12-1:00 p.m. From 1-3:30 p.m. the pool will be open to the public with events for families and fireworks started at midnight. Discussion was held regarding investigating laser light shows rather than fireworks.

Director DePalma submitted his resignation for another opportunity and he stated that he left a comprehensive layout with the Town Manager. He expressed his appreciation to

everyone for their support. Mayor Gore praised Director DePalma for turning Bay Oaks around. Chair Simpson described how Director DePalma elevated his staff and she noted that he left them in great shape for the future. She commended his hard work throughout his tenure.

D. Bayfront Park & New Parcel

MOTION: Ms. Sprole moved to have Mr. Allers represent BORCAB on the Bayfront Park and new parcel committee; second by Chair Simpson.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Director DePalma encouraged BORCAB to include the outer edge of the entrance walkway as part of the new parcel. Ms. Sprole questioned what would happen to the parking lot. Director DePalma replied that the new design would include the parking lot. He noted that there was a possibility of bringing the tram through Bay Oaks and partnering with Lee County to help with funding to create landscape and hardscape to utilize the area as a trolley stop. Discussion was held concerning design options.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment

VIII. MEMBER ITEMS

Ms. Bodnar stated that Director DePalma left the pool in good hands.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Bodnar moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Mr. Allers.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Adopted Jan 24, 2019 with/without changes. Motion by Dan Allers
(DATE)

Vote: Becky Bodnar Signature: [Signature]

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