



# PARKS AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, April 03, 2024 at 6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers – 105 S. 2ND Street, Flagler Beach, FL 32136

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**ALL MEETING ITEMS WILL BE CONTINUED UNTIL MEETING IS COMPLETE.**

1. **Call the meeting to order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call / Determination of Quorum**
  - a. Welcome Tim Davis to the Committee
4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
  - a. Approve the Minutes of the March 6, 2024 Meeting
5. **New Business**
  - a. City Manager to report on the Commission's Action re: FIND Grant
  - b. Committee's Suggestions for the Budget
6. **Other Business**
7. **Board Comments**
8. **Adjournment**

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# PARKS AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 06, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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**PRESENT:** Bob Cunningham, Fred Ferrara, Quentin Parker, Jennifer Vader,

**EX-OFFICIO:** Dale Martin and Caryn Miller

**GUEST:** Ken Bryan

1. **Call the meeting to order:** Bob Cunningham called the meeting to order.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Cunningham led the pledge.

3. **Roll Call / Determination of Quorum:** Ms. Settle called the roll.

4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

a. Approval of February 7, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Jennifer Vader, seconded by Quentin Parker, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Review Summary of Discussion Held on February 21, 2024. Mr. Martin summarized the last meeting’s discussions.

5. **Old Business**

Quentin Parker asked if there was a report on the lighting at Silver Lake Park. Mr. Parker was concerned that the lights were not coming on at all. The electrical box is not locked but he has not opened it and was hoping Maintenance might be able to take a look at it and adjust the timing mechanism. He thanked Bill Clemence for the work he had done on the benches.

6. **New Business**

a. Presentation from Ken Bryan regarding Veterans Park. Mr. Bryan reviewed the history of the foundation. There was a competition held for a new water feature in Veterans Park. The winners were students from the local high school. The students’ design included a soldier, one side depicted a man; the other side, a woman, holding a child’s hand. Paul Becker, a local artist, is working on the sculpture. Joseph Pozzuoli is working on the base of the sculpture which would incorporate a water feature and the emblems of each branch of the military.

Funding: The Rotary contacted Mr. Bryan and is interested in funding the project. The cost of the sculpture could be very costly, dependent on the materials used. Manoj Boohla, the builder of the Compass Hotel, has expressed interest in supporting the sculpture as well. Mr. Bryan hopes to use a variety of fundraising options to secure the necessary monies for the project. Discussion included timeframe of the Army Corps’ use of Veterans; any action the City can take in order to facilitate the program, Commission’s involvement; improvements to the park; changing the benches so they face the park and not the road; and possibly using engraved brick pavers as more individual memorials going toward the sculpture. He is looking forward to renderings being developed.

b. Project for Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) Grant Application. Mr. Martin reviewed the possibility of a project at the corner of Palm and Lambert. The state owns the parcel and he is in the process of securing the authorization from FDOT to move forward to secure the grant. The park would

be a passive park with benches and a place for fishing. He spoke of irradiating the Brazilian peppers. In the future, he would like to have a dock of built. Discussion included the City's match for the grant being 50/50 and any other amenities considered in the application. He asked the Committee for a motion to endorse the project in order for him to present it to the Commission.

Motion by Jennifer Vader, seconded by Quentin Parker, to approve the City pursuing the FIND Grant for the passive park at the corner of Palm and Lambert. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion turned to other possibilities for future FIND grants including working with the County to improve the boat ramp area under the bridge and adding a facility for mooring the boats; facilities in Vilano Beach and Cassen Park in Ormond Beach; the marina property and if receiving the FIND grant, the possibility of using the same contractor to eliminate the Brazilian peppers in Palmetto Park, not as part of the grant, but possibly while a contractor was in town.

- c. Parks Project Budget Request. Mr. Martin asked the committee members for produce a wish list for the parks to possibly be place in next year's budget.

Mr. Martin asked the members if they thought it was necessary to meet more than once a month. It was the consensus of the members that once a month would be preferable.

Motion by Jennifer Vader, seconded by Quentin Parker to have monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. The motion carried unanimously.

**7. Board Comments**

The following comments were made from members of the board: most of the equipment in the parks needs replacement; Wickline Park needs a facelift; the timeline for finding out about the FRDAP grant; how Parks are depicted in the budget; and possibly fundraising for the parks.

**8. Other Business**

There was no other business discussed.

**9. Adjournment**

Motion by Quentin Parker, seconded by Jennifer Vader to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Settle, MMC  
Deputy City Clerk