TOWN OF PALM BEACH
RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Town of Palm Beach Recreation Advisory Commission was held on May 5, 2010, at the Recreation Center. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Joseph Della Giustina, Vice Chairman, at 9:00 a.m. Commission members in attendance were Mr. Della Giustina, Mr. Stephen Hall, Mrs. Danielle Moore, Mr. Henry Jamison, Mr. Daniel McDonnell and Mr. Donald Singer. Alternate members in attendance were Dr. Ellen Howe, Mrs. Pamela McIver and Mr. Chris Storkerson. Absent from the meeting was Mr. Timothy O'Hara. Staff members in attendance were Director Mr. Jay Boodheshwar, Assistant Directors Mr. Alan Brown and Mr. Rod Gardiner, and Office Manager Mrs. Lisa Walkowich. Also in attendance were Mr. William Diamond and Mr. Richard Kleid, Town Council members.

A. Welcome New Members
Mr. Boodheshwar congratulated Mr. Hall and Mr. Singer for being reappointed to the commission as regular members. He welcomed Dr. Howe and Mr. Storkerson who were recently appointed as alternate members to the commission.

II. OATH OF OFFICE

Mrs. Walkowich administered the oath of office to the following commissioners: Mr. Della Giustina, Mr. Jamison, Mr. Hall, Mr. Singer, Dr. Howe and Mr. Storkerson.

III. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

A. Annual Commission Orientation/Re-Orientation – Mr. Boodheshwar reviewed the Recreation Commission Handbook with the commissioners, focusing on the Sunshine Laws.

B. Election of Commission Chairperson – Mr. Hall made the motion to nominate Mrs. Moore as Recreation Advisory Commission Chairperson, seconded by Mr. McDonnell. There were no other nominations. Motion passed unanimously. Mrs. Moore then presided over the remainder of the meeting

C. Election of Commission Vice Chairperson – Mr. McDonnell made the motion to nominate Mr. Della Giustina as Vice Chairperson for the Recreation Advisory Commission, seconded by Mr. Hall. There were no other nominations. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS - There were none.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Moore asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. Boodheshwar requested that under New Business the order of items A and B, be reversed. Mrs. Moore called for an approval of the agenda with this change. Mr. Della Giustina made the motion to approve the revised agenda, seconded by Mr. Jamison, all were in favor.

VI. APPROVAL OF MARCH 3, 2010, MEETING MINUTES

Mrs. Moore asked for a motion to approve the March 3, 2010, minutes. Mr. Singer made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. McDonnell, all were in favor.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY2009/10 Business Plan Report – Mr. Boodheshwar gave a power point presentation regarding the business plan. After the presentation Mr. Boodheshwar asked the commissioners if there were any questions. There were none with the exception of Mr. Hall requesting a clarification on where in the report donated monies to the golf course were represented in the business plan.

B. FY2011 Budget Proposal Draft – Mr. Brown gave a presentation on the FY2011 proposed budget. After the presentation Mr. Brown asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Mr. Boodheshwar said that there were some final numbers that staff would be receiving from the Finance Department that may affect the budget slightly. He said that staff would be presenting the budget to the Mayor and Town Council over the summer months and then there would be two budget hearings in September.

Mr. Boodheshwar also reported that at the April 6, 2010, Town Council meeting the concept of privatization was introduced and he had suggested that staff may be directed to look into privatization for certain functions over the summer months. He said that he wanted the commissioners to be aware of this and that he would keep them updated on the entire budget process via email. He invited the commissioners to contact him at any time with any questions they may have.

Mrs. Moore thanked Mr. Boodheshwar and the staff for their hard work on both the business plan and budget presentations.

VIII. ANY OTHER MATTERS

A. May 2010 Staff Report - Mr. Boodheshwar asked the commission if there were any questions regarding the report that they had received. There were none.

Mr. Jamison complimented Mr. Boodheshwar on his professionalism and complimented him on all his hard work. He also complimented the tennis teaching staff for their professionalism and complimented them on how successful they have been with the new tennis programs that have been implemented.

Mrs. McIver said that she would like to suggest a monthly payment plan system for annual tennis permits as a way to attract more business.

Mr. Storkerson said that there is a great deal of interest in youth programs and suggested that we might want to cross market between recreation, golf and tennis. Mr. Boodheshwar said that this is going to be addressed and staff has begun to look at different ways to cross market all of our programs. Mrs. McIver suggested that we may want to look at email blasts as a form of marketing. Another suggestion that was made was to promote programs through local civic organization and school newsletters.

Mr. Hall gave a brief summary on the Par 3 restoration project and showed the commission a rendering of the proposed club house. He stated that this project would never have taken place without the help of Mr. Raymond Floyd. Mr. Hall said that because of Mr. Floyd's hard work and dedication to the project he was suggesting that that the golf course be renamed to honor Mr. Floyd. One suggestion that had been made was "The Raymond Floyd Course at the Palm Beach Par 3". After some discussion Mr. Jamison made the motion to recommend renaming the Par 3 Golf Course as presented by Mr. Hall, to honor and recognize Mr. Floyd for his hard work and dedication to the Par 3 restoration project. Seconded by Mr. Della Giustina, all were in favor.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Moore at 10:22 a.m.