

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR "HYBRID" MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 2, 2020

The "HYBRID" MEETING took place in the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park and was also conducted virtually through the Zoom platform. The meeting was called to order by CHAIRMAN Susan Vogelgesang at 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Craig F. Ehrnst
Steven M. Engel
Robert K. Rollins, Jr.
Susan Vogelgesang
Erin Wright

Mr. Jacob Horowitz, District counsel, explained that Executive Order 20-69, which allowed local governments to meet without requiring that a physical quorum be in the room, expired on November 1, 2020. The District is conducting a "hybrid" meeting with a physical quorum of three Board members present, in accordance with Sunshine Law, and two board members attending virtually utilizing the zoom platform. The members of the public have the option to attend and participate in the meeting physically or participate using the zoom platform.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

The following people called into the meeting during public comments:

Mr. Raul Travieso, Florida's Southeast District Pickleball Ambassador and President of the Boca Raton Pickleball Club expressed his gratitude to the Board for making six lighted pickleball courts in Boca Raton and gave a special thanks to Commissioner Ernst for his advocacy and support of the sport of pickleball in the city of Boca Raton.

Mr. Harold Chaffee requested an update regarding the deed restrictions at Ocean Breeze, the ILA amendment for the golf course, and if a meeting was set with the City.

Mr. Greg Galanis thanked the Board for all its efforts and time that has been invested in the golf course. He hopes that the District will have the courage and conviction to move forward immediately with the eastside as it has been designed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the minutes of the Regular "Virtual" meeting held on October 19, 2020, at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Ocean Breeze Discussion

At the last District meeting, the Board directed Executive Director Harms and District counsel to meet with the City Manager and the City Attorney to discuss an amendment to the ILA and the deed restrictions at Ocean Breeze. The meeting did not take place due to scheduling conflicts.

Deed Restrictions

Mr. Horowitz advised that he did speak with the City attorney regarding the deed restrictions. District counsel also conducted their own independent research and are in the process of finalizing a legal memorandum for the District. Counsel stated that based on a Supreme Court decision, there is some flexibility for the District to utilize the golf course property for reasons other than a golf course.

Commissioner Ehrnst proposed an amendment to the current Interlocal Agreement that would include exploring additional options with the City and having community input for the best use of the property.

Discussion on the Ocean Breeze property ensued regarding:

Expediting community involvement and the importance of having public charettes; if an amendment to the ILA is necessary; the Needs Assessment Survey and its accuracy; having counsel revise and clean up the language in the ILA; withdrawing the District’s request for the City’s approval; obtaining outside financing to reimburse the City for the bond; the limiting factors as far as having an executive course vs. a short course if Jeffrey Street is not abandoned; the City’s financial interest in the development of Ocean Breeze; possible NGF involvement for the eastside; recreational options; the District having the authority for the design approval; and the need for an irrigation clause.

It was the objective of the Board for counsel to work with Executive Director Harms to provide an amendment to the ILA for the Board's collective consideration that would then be submitted to the City.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Wright to have Executive Director Harms work with District counsel to provide an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) dated February 2, 2018, between the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District and the City. The amendment shall include a general clean up of the language in the ILA and allow for the intent for the use of the property to include other recreational options that are not necessarily limited to golf.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

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2. Pickleball RFP Bid Results

Ms. Dawson, Facilities Manager, presented the Board with the two bids that were submitted to convert two tennis courts at Patch Reef Park into six pickleball courts. One bid was from Armor Courts for \$43,975 and one bid from Fast Dry Courts for \$36,500. Both companies have excellent references. Ms. Dawson recommended the lowest bid from Fast Dry Courts.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to award the bid for the pickleball courts to Fast Dry Courts for \$36,500 as per their bid.

Discussion:

The pickleball courts are expected to be completed in approximately eight weeks.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

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3. 2021 District Schedule

Ms. Harms presented a proposed schedule of District Board Meetings and Office Closings for 2021 for the Board's consideration.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to adopt the memorandum from Executive Director Harms of the Proposed Schedule of District Meetings and Office Closings for 2021 as outlined.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the payroll and invoices totaling \$ 25,309.15.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

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REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director

CRA

The City has rescheduled the CRA hearing to November 10, 2020, to discuss the District's request to eliminate its CRA obligations.

Patch Reef Park Batting Cage RFP

The batting cages RFP bids are due on November 13, 2020. The project should be completed by January 2021.

Ocean Breeze

Executive Director Harms and Facilities Manager, Melissa Dawson, will perform a detailed thorough evaluation of the Ocean Breeze property and prepare a report for the Board of the areas that need to be repaired.

Ocean Strand

The removal of invasive plants has begun. Photographs will be taken and distributed to the Board to view the progress.

Thank You

Ms. Harms expressed her thanks to Jason Hester and the staff at Sugar Sand Park for their help setting up the Hybrid meeting.

Counsel:

Commissioners:

Commissioner Rollins asked staff to address the area to the entrance of Boca Teeca; inquired about the status of the FPL bid to place the utilities underground on the golf course; believes that it is in the best interest of the community for the District to continue to emphasize the abandonment of Jeffrey Street to the City and thanked staff for their work on the hybrid meeting.

Commissioner Ehrnst inquired about using a rubberized material for the pathway at Ocean Strand. Ms. Harms will investigate if the material would be ADA Compliant and will ask Maracore Builder's to provide a cost estimate for the material change.

Commissioner Vogelgesang thanked the District staff and the staff at the Willow Theatre for doing a great job on the hybrid meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Three Corners RFP Bid
Patch Reef Park Batting Cage RFP
ILA Amendment

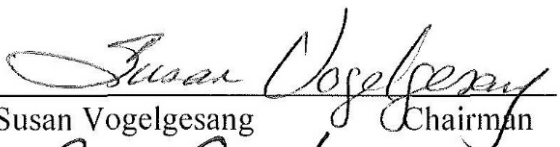
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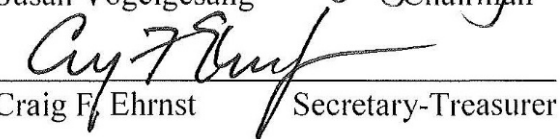
MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED


Susan Vogelgesang Chairman


Craig F. Ehrnst Secretary-Treasurer