

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR "HYBRID" MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
January 19, 2021

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

PROCLAMATION FOR MR. GORDON GILBERT

Chairman Vogelgesang read a proclamation of appreciation in honor of Mr. Gilbert's 90th birthday to thank him for his dedication and service to the community which will be presented to him on Saturday, January 23rd, at Sugar Sand Park.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

The following people emailed public requests to be read into the record:

Mr. Jim Miller, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Friends of Gumbo Limbo, read a tribute to Mr. Gilbert in honor of his 90th birthday to thank and honor him and support the proclamation by the District recognizing his immeasurable contributions.

The following people called into the meeting:

Mr. Anthony Ciliberti suggested a multi-use park for the Ocean Breeze property with an indoor/ covered outdoor pickleball complex.

Mr. Greg Galanis believes that there is a huge need for a high-end, quality, executive golf course, practice area, and driving range in Boca Raton.

Mr. Raul Travieso recommended that the City and the District work together to create a 16-court premier pickleball center at either Ocean Breeze, Boca Raton Country Club, or the Spanish River Athletic Center to handle the growing demand for pickleball.

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 "Hybrid" meeting held on January 4, 2021, 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. Explorium Exhibit Contract Amendment

Executive Director Harms presented an amended Mindbender Mansion contract which included a COVID -19 Closure clause in section 4.0. The exhibit will now take place in the Fall of 2022.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the Mindbender Mansion contract amendment as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

2. RFI for Ocean Breeze

An RFI for general ideas for the Ocean Breeze property was presented to the Board for consideration.

Discussion ensued regarding exploring ideas from the community, having the City as a partner on the project, the Needs Assessment Survey, an RFP vs RFI, hiring professionals to run the charrettes and collect information, public-private partnerships, transparency, how an RFP would expedite the process, and deferring the RFI/RFP until the District receives an answer from the City regarding the ILA amendment.

This topic will be deferred until the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the payroll and invoices totaling \$32, 578.43.

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:

Patch Reef Park Pickleball Courts

The asphalt has been applied and will take 30 days to cure, fencing and side work will be done in the meantime. The project is scheduled for completion in February.

Pipes and Pumping Project

The RFP bids are due back on January 27, 2021.

Gumbo Limbo Tower Project

A meeting is scheduled with the City and the Friends of Gumbo Limbo on January 28th.

Needs Assessment Survey

A meeting is scheduled with Pros Consulting Firm and City staff to review the Need's Assessment Survey and discuss the next steps that will be taken.

ILA Amendment

The District is still awaiting a response from the City regarding the ILA Amendment.

Ocean Strand

The permitting/approval process has become complicated. The District is working with the City staff to gather information and continue to move forward.

Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics

Ms. Harms spoke with Mr. Mark Bannon, Executive Director of the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics, who informed her that the District is not entitled to services since it is an Independent Special District that is governed by the State. A page has been added to the District's website, titled "Ethics", that includes direct links to the Commission on Ethics and its phone number.

Ocean Breeze Bond Payment

The Ocean Breeze Bond payment cannot be paid off early without a penalty until 2027. Ms. Harms will research what the penalties would entail with Mr. Jerry Ford from Ford & Associates.

Swim & Racquet Center

Bolton Perez and Associates has completed an inspection of the pedestrian bridge at the Swim & Racquet Center and has confirmed that it is a safe bridge to use.

Counsel:

Executive Order 20-316

Executive Order 20-316, extending Executive Order 20-52, allowing for hybrid meetings, has been extended for 60 days from December 29, 2020.

Ocean Breeze ILA Amendment

Counsel has not received any communication from the City regarding the amendment to the ILA.

Commissioners:

Commissioner Engel inquired if a written determination from the Chair of the Palm Beach County Ethics Board could be acquired stating that the Palm Beach County Ethics Commission has no jurisdiction over the District as a state agency.

Commissioner Wright inquired if the Board would consider allowing the students at Verde Elementary to use the Swim and Racquet Center's facilities between the hours of 3:00-5:00 p.m. since Verde Elementary does not currently offer any sports programs and possibly

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developing the large piece of land owned by the Palm Beach County School District behind Verde Elementary into soccer fields for use by the Verde students and the City of Boca Raton.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Wright and seconded by Commissioner Ehrnst to direct staff to work on an agreement for Verde Elementary to use the facilities at the Swim & Racquet Center and to pursue a separate agreement for the possible development of the green space behind Verde Elementary.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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Commissioner Ehrnst requested that the District add one additional meeting each month dedicated to the development of Ocean Breeze and expressed his frustration on the progress of Ocean Breeze.

Commissioner Vogelgesang would like to schedule a Joint meeting with the City and do what is best for the community.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

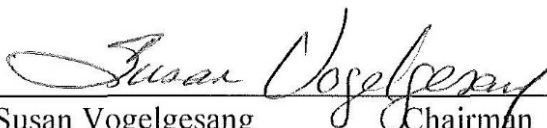
Ocean Breeze RFI
Ocean Breeze Meeting Once a Month.
Evaluation Process for Staff


MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 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