GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS November 21, 2022

The MEETING took place at the Swim & Racquet Center and was also conducted virtually through the Zoom platform. The meeting was called to order by CHAIRMAN Erin Wright at 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

Erin Wright

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

<u>MOTION</u> was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to reconsider the previous action of the Board made on November 7, 2022, regarding solar panels at Sugar Sand Park.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Solar Panels At Sugar Sand Park was added to the agenda as item #3.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 7, 2022, at 5:15 p.m.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Temporary Construction Easement

On November 15, 2021, the District issued a Temporary Construction Easement (TCE) for the use of Ocean Strand to develop a neighboring property. Director Harms reported issues regarding the TCE that Counsel has attempted to resolve with no response from the Grantee. Mr. Sean Swartz, District Counsel, explained that the Grantee was outside of the easement area that was defined in Exhibit A of the agreement, and suggested issuing a Notice to Cure that would allow the Grantee 30 days to resolve the matter.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Engel to provide a Notice to Cure for 30 days associated with the Temporary Construction Easement at Ocean Strand.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

2. Longevity Pay

Director Harms provided the Board with a copy of the City's longevity pay policy for City employees, a continuous service benefit program recognizing continuous, paid, and meritorious service for consideration. The District historically modeled employee benefits after the City of Boca Raton Employee Handbook to ensure consistency between District funded City employees and District staff. District employees who qualified for longevity pay last received the benefit in 2018. If approved, it would be added to the District Employee Manual as follows:

As of December 1, of each year, employees with more than five (5) full years but less than ten (10) full years of continuous, paid service shall receive a continuous service benefit in the amount of \$600.00 annually. Employees with more than ten (10) full years but less than fifteen (15) full years of continuous, paid service shall receive a continuous service benefit in the amount of \$800.00 annually. Employees with more than fifteen (15) full years of continuous, paid service shall receive a continuous service benefit in the amount of \$1,000.00 annually. In no instance shall the amount of a single employee benefit paid under this rule exceed \$1,000.00 per year.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to approve the employee longevity plan as presented in the agenda packet.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Solar Panels at Sugar Sand Park

Commissioner Ehrnst requested that the motion made at the previous meeting on November 7, 2022, regarding solar panels at Sugar Sand Park be deferred until the next budget cycle.

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This would allow more time to research how to communicate the savings as an educational component at the Science Explorium, gather information about grants or rebates that might be available; and the cost of the solar panels may come down in the next year.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to defer the previous meeting's motion on solar panels at Sugar Sand Park until the next budget cycle.

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 Vogelgesang to approve the payroll and invoices as presented, totaling \$43,459.90

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst Yes
Commissioner Engel Yes
Commissioner Rollins Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang Yes
Commissioner Wright Yes
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

District Counsel:

Executive Director:

Swim & Racquet Center

The court resurfacing has begun at the Racquet Center and the fixtures for retrofitting the current light fixtures with LED lighting have arrived.

Ocean Strand

The pathway at Ocean Strand is being installed this week. There are materials needed that will not be available until mid-January. The opening is anticipated in February.

Patch Reef Park

The permitting for the Patch Reef Park Pickleball Center will begin by February; bid documents will be advertised by end of March and a contract should be awarded by end of May.

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Sugar Sand Park

The Roof Replacement bid period was extended until December 2, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. due to the impact of Hurricane Nicole.

Red Reef South

The Red Reef South restroom construction is still in progress. The remaining work includes painting, sidewalk repairs, and new doors that are scheduled to arrive in mid-December.

Town Hall Talk

On Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. there will be a Town Hall Talk presented by the Boca Raton Historical Society on the archaeological findings discovered during Ocean Strand Park's development.

Commissioners:

Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired about shade coverage at DeHoernle Park and reported that she has received positive feedback regarding the court resurfacing and lighting project at the Swim & Racquet Center.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Athletics Staff Presentation on Field Closures

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED	

Erin Wright

Chairman

Craig F. Ehrnst

Secretary-Treasurer

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