## **GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT** MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SWIM & RACQUET CENTER, 21618 ST. ANDREWS BOULEVARD, BOCA RATON November 4, 2019

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Susan Vogelgesang, at 5:17 p.m.

## **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

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

## CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Commissioner Rollins requested that agenda items #2 Budget Amendment for FY 2018-2019 & #5 Art Koski Agreement be deferred until the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Ehrnst to defer agenda items #2 & # 5 until the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **MOTION APPROVED 3-2**

Commissioner Wright and Commissioner Engel vote "No"

## **PUBLIC REQUESTS:**

*Mr. Tom Thayer* stated that the District's chances of dealing with the City regarding the golf course are minimal at best; referenced the generous donation of \$250,000 for the Gumbo Limbo tower; and extended an invitation to the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowners Association meeting on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. at the Boca Raton Community Center.

*Mr. Harold Chaffee* requested that public comments be reopened after the golf course discussion and suggested that the District set up a committee, for community input, to help with the golf course.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 21, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.

## **Discussion:**

Commissioner Engel stated that the following correction was made under his Commissioner report: Commissioner Engel would like the *District* to control its narrative through the media.

## **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

## **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

## 1. Sunscreen MOU

Mr. Jacob Horowitz, General Counsel prepared a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the RDK Melanoma Foundation for the Board's consideration. The MOU will provide for the installation of four sunscreen dispensers, two dispensers will be located at Sugar Sand Park and two dispensers at the Swim and Racquet Center. The dispensers will be maintained

in working order by the RDK Foundation and the District will replenish the dispensers as needed.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve the Sunscreen MOU as presented.

After speaking with a dermatologist, Commissioner Vogelgesang, suggested that the District use a reef friendly sunscreen when refilling the dispensers.

## **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

## 2. Budget Amendment for FY 2018-2019.

This item was deferred until the November 18, 2019 meeting.

## 3. Board Meeting Calendar for 2020

Ms. Harms, Executive Director, asked consideration of the Board to approve the 2020 Board Meeting Calendar as presented.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the 2020 Board Meeting Calendar as presented.

Commissioner Ehrnst suggested adding the quarterly meetings with City Council to the calendar.

## **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

## 4. Golf Course Discussion

The Board reviewed and discussed the letter from the City dated October 24, 2019 which included items that the City would like to include in the amendment to the current Interlocal Agreement (ILA).

The Board directed Ms. Harms to respond to the City with the following suggestions for the amendment to the ILA:

In general, the Board agrees with the City undertaking construction of the entire golf course on the east and west side; however, they continue to support the Price Fazio design and would like the City to consider all of the public input and tax dollars spent to date;

The District would like the opportunity to provide the final design approval, which shall be offered by a mutually agreed upon date and which shall not be unreasonably withheld;

The District believes that a joint evaluation is needed to determine the best use of the hotel site and any parcels that have not been discussed in the current design;

The District requests the opportunity to revisit the ILA upon satisfaction of the debt to review terms, discuss changes and ensure that the property is still being utilized to serve all District residents;

The District requests that the City evaluate all methods of maintaining the golf course and consider the benefits of hiring a golf course management company;

The District will not seek to share in the profits or losses of the golf course;

All District constituents need to be afforded the same benefits, privileges and opportunities as City residents;

The District supports a volunteer based advisory board to provide input on the programming of the golf course; the advisory board should be inclusive of residents who do not live within City boundaries;

The City will take over all current maintenance costs associated with the golf course upon agreement of the amended ILA;

A specific timeline with dates should be incorporated into the ILA to ensure that the project will be completed expeditiously.

A commitment for the City and District to work together on future projects that will enhance recreation.

## Public Requests were reopened:

*Mr. Greg Galanis* thanked the Board for its continued support of golf. The Boca Golf Association is committed to the Price Fazio design and that the Price Fazio team builds the course. He believes that the Price Fazio name will bring in outside players at a premium rate which will help keep resident rates down and suggested that the advisory board be formed prior to construction of the golf course.

*Mr. Harold Chaffee* suggested that the District monitor the City when it is developing the course to ensure its success from the beginning and believes that a committee needs to be formed prior to construction of the golf course.

*Mr. Jack Mc Walter* recommended forming a "golf task force" that meets regularly and advised that Osprey has plenty of volunteers that are rewarded with a round of golf.

## 5. Art Koski Agreement

This item was deferred to the November 18, 2019 meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the revised payroll and invoices totaling \$ 35,161.08.

## **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

## **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

## **Executive Director:**

## <u>Swim & Racquet Center</u>

The consent for surety was received form M.D.S. Builders, Inc. and the final check has been released to close out the project.

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## Pool & Deck Resurfacing RFP

The RFP for the pool and deck resurfacing is currently being advertised; bids are due back on December 6, 2019; staff will have recommendations by the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting; work to commence in January and should be completed by mid-February.

## <u>Artificial Turf Fields</u>

A punch list is being finalized and the final pay application should be ready for approval by the next meeting, which will close out the project.

#### Employee Pension Plan.

Ms. Harms provided templates of employee pension plans for the Boards review and input.

#### Needs Assessment Survey

The Needs Assessment Survey is online at Bocarecreates.com.

## District Counsel:

## **Commissioners:**

*Commissioner Rollins* would like to emphasize the importance of a volunteer-based task force for the golf course at the next Joint Meeting and noted the wonderful comments he has been receiving regarding the artificial turf project at Patch Reef Park. Commissioner Rollins requested that staff inquire when the shade structures will be in place at Countess de Hoernle Park.

*Commissioner Ehrnst* recommended waiting for the results of the Needs Assessment Survey prior to making any decisions with the resurfacing of the pool and deck; advised the Board that he spoke with Mr. Jerry Ford about evaluating the District's financial condition and suggested a review of all District financial commitments and suggested that the District obtain a credit rating from Moody's next year.

*Commissioner Engel* requested that guidelines for the District Policy on Bullying and Harassment be added as a future agenda item for discussion.

*Commissioner Vogelgesang* would like the letter to the City to state the that the City will take over all current maintenance costs associated with the golf course upon agreement of the amended ILA; stated that the District is being billed for all phone calls with Ford & Associates; and suggested that the Amendment to the Executive Director's Agreement be added as a future agenda item.

## <u>Banking RFP</u>

Ms. Harms, Executive Director, Commissioner Ehrnst and Mr. Timberlake, Financial Advisor, will review the three Banking RFP responses and make a recommendation to the Board.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**:

Budget Amendment for FY2018-2019 Art Koski Agreement Communication RFP St. Mark Greek Church Reciprocal Use Agreement District Policy on Bullying & Harassment Amendment to the Executive Director Agreement Banking RFP: December GBRB&PD Minutes: November 4, 2019

# Sunshine Law Presentation **ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

## **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

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