

City of Marco Island Florida

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Chair: Dolores Siegel Vice-Chair: Brian Lynch

Members: John Aguis, Lisa Hogan, Matt Huneke, Doug Kelly, John Martini

City Staff: Daniel Smith, Joe Parrilli, Samantha Malloy, Martha Montgomery, Clair Lovgren

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

3:30 PM

Community Room

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Seigel called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Member Aguis, Member Huneke, Member Kelly, Member Lynch, Member Martini

and Member Siegel

Absent: 1 - Member Hogan

Also Present

City Councilor Bonita Schwan
City Councilor Deb Henry

CITY STAFF:

Parks Culture and Recreation Manager Samantha Malloy Director of Community Affairs Dan Smith Supervisor Martha Montgomery Fleet and Facilities Coordinator Heather Reed Assistant City Manager Casey Lucius

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Vice-Chair Seigel.

(4) INTRODUCTION TO NEW MEMBERS

ID 25-4306 New Committee Member Introductions

New Committee Members Lynch, Aguis, Martini and Huneke introduced themselves and shared a brief introduction into their backgrounds, and were welcomed to the Committee.

(5) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Member Kelly, seconded by Member Aguis, that the Agenda be Approved. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

(6) ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

ID 25-4292 Election of Chair & Vice Chair

Vice Chair Siegel requested nominations for the Chair of Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

MOTION by Member Kelly, to nominate Dolores Seigel to the role of Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE VOTE:

Yes: 6 - Member Aguis, Member Huneke, Member Kelly, Member Lynch, Member Martini and Member Siegel

Chair Seigel requested a volunteer for Vice Chair of Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. Member Lynch volunteered himself.

MOTION nominating Member Lynch to the role of Vice-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE VOTE:

Yes: 6 - Member Aguis, Member Huneke, Member Kelly, Member Lynch, Member Martini and Member Siegel

Member Kelly announced this will be his last meeting as he is moving off island. Chair Siegel thanked him for his hard work on the Committee.

(7) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

ID 25-4281 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes of January 14, 2025

MOTION by Member Kelly, seconded by Member Martini, that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes of January 14, 2025 be Approved. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

(8) OLD BUSINESS

ID 25-4282 Mackle Park Tree Donation Update

Dan Smith, Director of Community Affairs introduced himself and informed the Committee about the Mackle Park Master Plan and how it will assist with future development and maintaining of the parks. Mr. Smith provided an update on the Mackle Park Tree donation, including an overview on the construction that will begin shortly.

Additional discussion took place between the Committee members and City Staff regarding this project. Member Martini raised concerns about how the trees will hold up in the next hurricane season. Mr. Smith provided information on preventative measures being taken for hurricanes.

Ms. Malloy informed the Committee of public members raising concerns about the trees survival and the steps being taken to ease concerns.

(9) NEW BUSINESS

Chair Seigel requested an update on the construction at Leigh Plummer Park.

Supervisor Martha Montgomery informed the Committee there has been a delay due to permitting issues.

Additional discussion took place between the Committee and City Staff regarding this project.

(10) STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

ID 25-4283 Monthly Staff Report

Committee Members and City staff discussed the 03.15.2025 Island Rocks Concert and how successful and busy it was.

Chair Seigel commended Ms. Malloy on how successful Veterans Community Park events have been this season, but emphasized how much shade is needed at the park.

Member Martini inquired about how to get tickets for the 04.10.2025 Sunset Melodies concert and if the City makes money off of this event. Ms. Malloy informed him that it is not a City run event and there are flyers with a QR code to get tickets, and there is a rental fee the organizer pays.

There were no further questions directed to Ms. Malloy from members of the Committee.

(11) CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Councilor Bonita Schwan thanked the Committee for serving and conveyed her anticipation in working with this Committee. Ms. Schwan addressed questions that had been brought up in this meeting. Ms. Schwan informed the Committee that City Council is implementing a new initiative for Committees to present to City Council their goals are and what they are working on.

(12) PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Scherzinger from the Beautification Advisory Committee invited the Committee to Marco Nature Night. Ms. Scherzinger invited the Parks and Recreations Advisory Committee to work with the Beautification Advisory Committee to find places to plant trees around Marco Island.

Sheelah Yawitz, resident of Marco Island, requested an update on the Racquet Center Membership waitlist and the income vs. expenses of the Racquet Center.

Casey Lucius, Assistant City Manager, provided an update regarding the questions brought up by Ms. Yawitz.

Additional discussion took place between the Committee and City Staff regarding this subject.

John Carey, resident of Marco Island, made a comment about wishing for more senior citizen activities on Marco Island.

(13) NEXT MEETING: CONFIRMATION & ATTENDANCE

Chair Seigel confirmed the date of the next meeting to be April 15th, 2025, meeting at 3:30pm.

(14) PROPOSED AGENDA TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

Sports Fields

Electric Bikes

(15) OTHER COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

None

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There being no further business before the Committee, Chair Siegel adjourned the meeting at 4:37 P.M
Clair Loygren, Administrative Assistant