

**MINUTES
BAY OAKS RECREATIONAL CAMPUS
ADVISORY BOARD (BORCAB)**

Town Hall
2525 Estero Blvd.
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Simpson.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Members present: Becky Bodnar, Barbara Hill, Janna Holmes, Lee Melsek, Betty Simpson and Ray Sprole.

Staff: Director of Cultural Parks & Recreation Alison Giesen and Recreation Campus Manager Sarah Mayher

Council Liaison: Joanne Champ

IV. BOARD ORGANIZATION

MOTION: BORCAB Member Melsek nominated Betty Simpson as Chair; second by BORCAB Member Sprole.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: BORCAB Member Sprole nominated Barbara Hill as Vice Chair; second by BORCAB Member Holmes.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 5, 2019

MOTION: BORCAB Member Hill moved to approve the minutes; second by BORCAB Member Holmes.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

VII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Minutes from Oct. 29 joint session with Town Council – review and provide comments for Council – no comments.

B. Director Report

Director Giesen shared a copy of the posting for the new public information position. She noted that they were working on the Strategic Action Plan.

C. Friends of Bay Oaks Recreational Campus

Denise Monahan reviewed her background and discussed the Friends Group, fundraising efforts, matching funds for grants, obtaining grants, locating a new grant writer and the Alliance for Non-profits through the Woman's Club. She reported that they no longer had a Board and she questioned whether BORCAB would help her bring life back to the group. She noted that they had \$18,108.00 in the bank and she would continue to manage the paperwork required by the state to maintain their non-profit status. BORCAB Member Hill described similarities with Friends of the Mound House and moving forward with the Strategic Plan. BORCAB Member Holmes indicated she would make an announcement at her church. Discussion was held regarding sponsorships, retired professionals, contacting the Lion's Club, Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Monahan confirmed that she would speak to any group. Liaison Shamp brought up the idea of a newcomer's club or a retired professional group. BORCAB Member Hill questioned involving the library. BORCAB Member Melsek described the number of different Friends groups. Director Giesen replied that many of the groups met at the Alliance for Non-profits meetings.

Town Manager Hernstadt discussed Bayside Park, Bay Oaks, the Topps property, Interlocal agreements, political strategies, meeting with the school, expanding BORCAB's boundary, publicizing BORCAB's needs and vision and obtaining community support. Director Giesen described past surveys and the implementation of suggestion boxes. Liaison Shamp brought up improving the tennis courts as an example of how to draw people to Bay Oaks. She suggested meeting with the condominium association for their input. Director Giesen replied that they needed another staff person to assist with special events, but she would create a schedule of activities that did not require additional staff.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

IX. MEMBER ITEMS

BORCAB Member Holmes suggested advertising more.

BORCAB Member Bodnar shared a list of sponsors for the Wa-ke Hatchee Recreation Center. She suggested \$5.00 per person for the Valentine's Day Dance. Director Giesen described the next steps to take regarding discovering what the community wanted from Bay Oaks. She noted that they needed to help Ms. Monahan with the Friends Group.

BORCAB Member Melsek questioned whether they stopped paying the church for the bridge players. Manager Mayher replied affirmatively. Discussion was held concerning acquiring additional volunteers. BORCAB Member Melsek questioned changing the name of Bay Oaks.

Director Giesen replied that she would leave that up to the experts, but she was open to discussions and would add it to an agenda item.

X. FUTURE MEETING DATE – January 7, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

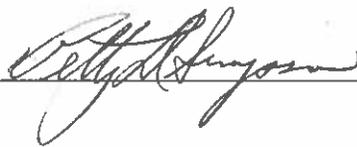
XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: BORCAB Member Melsek moved to adjourn the meeting; second by BORCAB Member Holmes.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 p.m.

Adopted _____ with/without changes. Motion by _____
(DATE)

Vote: _____ Signature:  _____

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