



City Recreation Committee
Meeting Agenda & Minutes
Thursday, August 20, 2020
Apalachicola Margaret Key Library

- I. Call to Order—Chair
- II. Approval of July Meeting Minutes
- III. Business Matters
 - A. Old Business
 - B. New Business
 - i. Secretary Vacancy
 - C. Anything Else
- IV. Announcements
- V. Meeting Adjourned

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:09pm by Chair Elinor Mount-Simmons.

In attendance were:

Members: Diane Brewer, Donna Ingle, Elinor Mount-Simmons, Mark Millikin, Torben Madson. Absent: Dolores Croom
Guests: Commissioners Anita Grove and Despina George

Because we have no secretary, the chair took the meeting's minutes. Upon welcoming members and guests, she asked for an adoption of last month's minutes. This was given by Donna, seconded by Diane, accepted by the body.

Old Business

A continuation of our need for an official list of city parks was discussed. Donna has created a list and will email it to us for review. Members are encouraged to check its accuracy. We also discussed having members sign up to be a specific park's liaison, determining the needs and reporting this info to the committee and the City. Elinor also talked about having groups, i.e., churches, organizations/clubs, fraternities, families, etc., to "adopt" a park, regularly checking on it and cleaning it. This idea was favorably received by the committee and the commissioners.

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Donna will bring the final park list to our September meeting and we will ask to be included on the City's October commission meeting to share our proposals with them.

New Business

The chair stated there is still an urgent need for someone to fill the secretary role; however, no volunteers came forth. The chair also mentioned we are short one alternate member.

Commissioner Anita stated she will bring that to the attention of the BOCC at their September meeting.

Anything Else?

Torben: questions about Lafayette Park and its repairs. Commissioner Grove responded that the money is now available and the BOCC are determining the best way to use it.

Mark: asked commissioners about status of the navy ship named after our town, sharing info he knew. Because of his knowledge and contacts, we encouraged the commissioners to appoint him as Point Person for this project at their September meeting and allow him to address the BOCC.

Donna: recommended our reading the book "Strong Towns" adding that it was a good read.

Diane: gave update on the City Squares project, providing the committee a copy of the survey maps

Anita: shared info on Tree Committee projects stating they are trying to plant more trees in the city. They have a donor willing to donate 20 shade trees to the city and will also take care of them until they get established.

After all business matters had been discussed, Elinor thanked members and guests for attending, asked for motion to dismiss, which was offered by Torben and seconded by Mark. With that, the August meeting was adjourned @ 7:03pm.

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 17, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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