

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday January 19, 2016

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at Bill Frederick Park and Pool at Turkey Lake, 3401 South Hiawasse Road, Orlando, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jason Reynolds
Celeste Thomas
Stephanie Appel
Gregory Reynolds
Maria Caban
Liana Leal

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kevin Dunleavy
Ricky Ly
Luis Ortiz

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Early, Director of Families, Parks and Recreation
John Perrone, Parks Division Manager
Stacy Anne Mahar, Board Secretary
Peter Effaldana, Cultural Arts Manager
Stephanie Colon, Administrative Specialist

CALL TO ORDER

Gregory Reynolds called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public requested to speak before the Board.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

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Approval of minutes for the December 15, 2015 meeting was moved by Stephanie Appel and seconded by Maria Caban and unanimously approved.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK

Genevieve Bernard representing the Mennello Museum of Art came before the Board to seek approval to hold the upcoming "2nd Annual Indie Folk Festival" on February 13, 2016 in Loch Haven Cultural Park. The festival is dedicated to music, art, picnic and love in the lakeside Sculpture Garden of the museum. The festival is from noon – 5:00 p.m. and free to the public. The Valentine's Day themed family picnic features local music, original art vendors plus foodie-friendly goodies and craft beverages for sale. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Stephanie Appel to approve the use of Loch Haven Cultural Park for this event. The motion carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: Science Night Live
Banner Display Dates: January 19, 2016 – February 22, 2016

It was moved by Stephanie Appel and seconded by Jason Reynolds to approve the two "Orlando Science Night Live" banners. One 10ft x 4ft banner will be located roadside along Princeton Avenue and the second 8ft x 4ft banner will be placed above the garage. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner: Women of Vision
Banner Display Dates: January 23, 2016 – April 24, 2016

It was moved by Jason Reynolds and seconded by Celeste Thomas to approve the 20’x15’ ft. “Women of Vision” banner facing Mills Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.

FUNDING REQUEST

Applicant/Organization: Lie Down or Stand Up
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Park Rental
Date of Event: March 4, 2016
Location: Lake Eola Park

Teresa Calio representing Lie Down or Stand Up gave a brief overview of the “3rd Annual March 4 TBI” event on March 4, 2016 at Lake Eola Park. The purpose is to raise awareness for survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and provide them with opportunities for social interaction through sports-related and community-engaging opportunities. The event will start with an expo of sponsors and vendors who provide services to people living with TBI and their caregivers, followed by a walk. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Stephanie Appel to approve up to \$1,500 for City costs associated with this event. The vote carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Florida Abolitionist, Inc.
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Park Rental
Date of Event: January 23, 2016
Location: Lake Eola Park

Tomas Lares with Florida Abolitionist, Inc. gave a brief overview of the January 23, 2016 event. Florida Abolitionist, Inc. will hold their “8th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Day” at Lake Eola Park. The purpose is to educate the community regarding human trafficking. The event will consist of testimonials from survivors, information booths, speakers, and entertainers addressing the issue. Florida Abolitionist, Inc. is an anti-human trafficking organization that networks and facilitates preventative and restorative solutions to ending modern-day slavery. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Liana Leal to approve up to \$1,500 for City costs associated with this event. The vote carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Mills 50 Mainstreet
Amount Requested: \$500.00
Purpose of Funds: 18A Permits; Orlando Police Officers
Date of Event: February 14, 2016
Location: Parade – roads surrounding Fashion Square Mall and Festival At Fashion Square Mall

Joanne Grant from Mills 50 Main Street District and Shally Wong from Y.E.S.S. gave a brief overview of the “Dragon Parade Lunar New Year Festival” to be held on February 14, 2016 to celebrate the City’s Asian Culture throughout the Mills 50 Main Street corridor. The event will consist of a parade followed by a festival featuring martial arts, cultural dance, arts and crafts, and Asian food. A motion was made by Liana Leal and seconded by Jason Reynolds to approve up to \$500.00 for City costs associated with this event. The vote carried unanimously.

REPORTS

For the Director’s report, Lisa Early reported that, per the Board’s request at its previous meeting, Denise Riccio, FPR’s Planning and Grants Manager, would come before the Board to update members regarding the building proposed for the northeast corner of Rosalind Avenue and Central Blvd., abutting Lake Eola Park. Ms. Riccio intended to be present at today’s Board meeting, but due to a schedule conflict, was unable to attend and therefore will attend the February Board meeting instead.

Ms. Early also reported that FPR is entering into an agreement with the Orlando Repertory Theater to operate a youth arts program at four City recreation centers. She also reported that, at the upcoming City Council meeting, Mayor Dyer and Commissioners will vote whether to approve the purchase of Constitution Green.

John Perrone, Parks Division Manager, reported that renovations at Loch Haven Cultural Park are about seventy-five (75%) complete, and lighting and sidewalks will be completed by the end of March. Mr. Perrone reminded the Board that fifty (50%) of this project was funded via grants and donations. Stephanie Colon, Parks Administrative Specialist reported that Pleasant Valley playground is now complete and the ribbon cutting date will be announced soon.

A draft copy of the "Thank You" letter to send to FPR's donors was handed out. A motion was made by Stephanie Appel and seconded by Celeste Thomas to approve the language with the minor change to the second paragraph to read: "The Families, Parks and Recreation Department" and not just "Recreation Division". The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Anne Mahar

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