

March 9, 2004

## **PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **MEMBERS:**

Cliff Bridges (absent), Gregory Burdick, Kerry Gallagher (absent for tour only), Annie Ruth Harrison, Curtis Kelly, Charlotte Presensky, Leila Rouady, Steven Sloane Newburgh, (Chair), and Patricia Sned.

### **ATTENDANCE & CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. by Steven Newburgh, Chair.

### **REVIEW, ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES OF FEBRUARY, 2004 MINUTES.**

February minutes passed unanimously by PRAC Board.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Tour of City of West Palm Beach north side of parks was conducted. Some sites included Boys & Girls' Club/Northwood Adult Center, Pleasant City, Pleasant City Multi-Cultural Center/Blum Park and Coleman Park. Evaluation sheets were distributed after each site visit.

### **CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

- A. **Project Status Report-Ken Rearden, Director of Public Utilities-** a parks project status report through January 31, 2004 was mailed to Board members in Mr. Rearden's absence.
- B. **Fees/boat launching in Palm Beach County-**information sheet was distributed to Board as to fees charged at other locations. Some were: City of Lake Worth, Lake Park, Boynton Beach, Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation, and City of Jupiter. To be discussed at April's meeting.

### **MOTION:**

A motion was made by members of the board to enforce the parking laws in Currie Park and to address these issues by possibly having more police presence in Currie Park. Letter to be mailed by Mr. Newburgh, Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

**C. Parks Maintenance Issues-Laban Reeves**, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation-Mr. Reeves announced the retirement of John Howard, Parks Maintenance Department, with 33 years of service with the City of West Palm Beach and invited Board members to attend his retirement party to be held on Friday, March 12, 2004, Howard Park, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Bus Tours- Mr. Newburgh announced bus tour date for continuation of tour-north side of City parks. Tour is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13 at 1:45 p.m., City Hall. Please R.S.V.P. to Ms.Lemire, (561) 835-7042.

**REQUESTS:** Request made by Chair to continue to remain an agenda for April, 2004 meeting.  
1. Boat Launching at Currie Park  
2. Boys & Girls' Club at Northwood. A special workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 13, Commission Chambers, 5:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Open for public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** April 13, 2004, Commission Chambers, 4:00 p.m. after tour north side City parks, 1:45 p.m., City Hall. Meet in lobby.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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KAREN LEMIRE  
CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH  
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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STEVEN S. NEWBURGH  
PRESIDING OFFICER

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