



Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

**April 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM
Howey-in the-Hills Town Hall
101 N. Palm Ave.,
Howey-in-the-Hills, FL 34737**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Member Joshua Husemann called the Parks and Recreation Board Meeting to order at 06:02 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joshua Husemann, Board Member | Mary Arnold, Board Member | Staci Mauro, Board Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jim Steele, Board Chair | Vicki Steele, Board Secretary

STAFF PRESENT:

Morgan Cates, Public Works Director | Brianna Pino, Public Works Administrative Assistant

Motion made by Board Member Arnold to move up item 5 prior to Old Business; seconded by Board Member Mauro. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Voting

Yea: Board Member Husemann, Board Member Arnold, Board Member Mauro

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration and Approval of the March 14th, 2024, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Board Member Arnold to approve of the 03/14/2024 Parks and Recreation Meeting; seconded by Board Member Mauro. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Voting

Yea: Board Member Husemann, Board Member Arnold, Board Member Mauro

Nay: None

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discussion: **Review of Chapter 06 – Comprehensive Plan (Recreation and Open Space)**

Town Attorney, Tom Harowski, reviewed Chapter 06 Comprehensive Plan.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion: **Parks Assessment**

Board Member Husemann stated that the playground in Central Park needed to be cleaned. Board Member Husmann advised that the infant seat's seatbelt on the swing set needed to be repaired.

Board Member Arnold advised that Sara Maude needed more mulching.

2. Discussion: **Staff Parks Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, stated that the parks were being maintained as usual.

3. Discussion: **Pine Park Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, advised that the sidewalk permit was still in progress. Mr. Cates advised that there would be a sign that would state "Construction in Progress" while the sidewalk permit was finalized as other construction would begin.

Mr. Cates brought multiple sign options for Pine Park. Board Members selected their preferred sign. Mr. Cates advised that Pine Park would need an official name.

Motion made by Board Member Arnold to keep the name of Pine Park officially; seconded by Board Member Mauro. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Voting

Yea: Board Member Husemann, Board Member Arnold, Board Member Mauro

Nay: None

NEW BUSINESS

4. Discussion: **Sara Maude Mason Nature Preserve Boardwalk Project Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, advised that he would get sign options to update Sara Maude's current sign.

Mr. Cates advised that research for the loan for the Sara Maude project was in progress. Mr. Cates also advised that the contract from the contractors was being reviewed by the Town's legal team.

BOARD COMMENTS

None

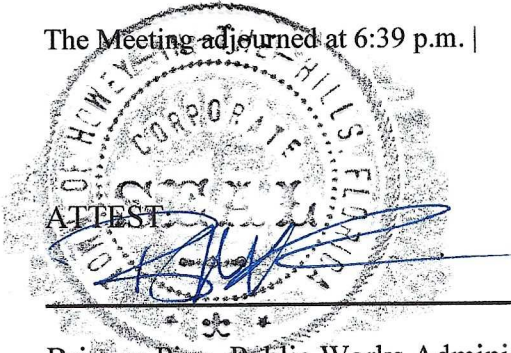
PUBLIC COMMENTS


None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Board Member Mauro to adjourn the meeting; Board Member Arnold seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m. | Attendees: 5





Acting Board Chair Joshua Husemann

Brianna Pino, Public Works Administrative Assistant