

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

Call to Order: Chairperson Gary Johnson

Invocation: Board Member Mike Jones

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairperson Gary Johnson

Roll Call: Those in attendance were, Chairperson Gary Johnson, Vice Chairperson David Fawcett (6:06pm), Board Member Thornton, Board Member Mike Jones, and Board Member Becky Roach.

Also in attendance were Parks and Recreation Director Richard Weed and Administrative Assistant Anaeli Quinones.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: JULY 20, 2017

Chairperson Johnson asked to make a motion to approve the minutes for July 20, 2017. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** made the motion, seconded by **Board Member Roach** and motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1) REVIEW AND APPROVE THE 2018 RECREATION CALENDAR.

Parks and Recreation Director Weed started by going thru the calendar items listed, as well as the new addition of the Second Thursday Workshops taking place at Mackay. He explained how the program helps bring more people to Mackay and it is not just Master Gardener speakers, we also have speakers from the FWC, etc. Events listed were the Bluegrass and BBQ Bash, Master Gardener Workshops, Lovin' LA, Nature Walks, Little League Baseball, Easter Sunrise Service, Easter Egg Hunt, Football, Summer Camp, Astronomy Nights, Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting, and Santa's Calling. Some corrections needed to be made, and approval was requested with such corrections. **Chairperson Johnson** asked to make a motion to approve the 2018 recreation calendar with corrections. **Board Member Jones** made the motion, seconded by **Vice Chairperson Fawcett**. Motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

Chairperson Johnson moved on to the next business item.

2) NOMINATE AND APPOINT CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON FOR 2018.

Parks and Recreation Director Weed said that this one was solely on the Board. **Chairperson Johnson** read the analysis on the agenda. He opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** asked if anyone wants to stay on the Board. Everyone replied with a "yes". **Board Member Jones** nominated and made the motion for Gary Johnson to remain as Chairperson. It was seconded by **Board Member Roach**. No other nominations for Chairperson. **Chairperson Johnson** accepted. Motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote. **Board Member Roach** nominated and made the motion for David Fawcett to remain as Vice Chairperson. It was seconded by **Board Member Thornton**. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** accepted. Motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

3) DISCUSS AND VOTE ON ALLOWING BOUNCE HOUSES FOR PARK RENTALS.

Parks and Recreation Director Weed explained how currently bounce houses are allowed for park rentals. There are several bounce house companies that do not deliver to public parks because of specific stipulations. A few of the adjoining cities do not allow the rental of bounce houses on their property unless is for City specific events and the City has to be listed on the rental company's insurance. He provided a few examples of cities and the county with their stipulations and exceptions. We have allowed them in the past with letting other kids (not with the rental party) to go inside if they wish to do so. We have not had an issue yet, but we are trying to be consistent and avoid any liability issues. It would be solely up to the Board if they would like to continue allowing them or not. There was some discussion about the different ways of allowing them. **Chairperson Johnson** asked for a motion to be made. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** made the motion to not allow the bounce houses on any city property unless it is an event run by the City. It was seconded by **Board Member Jones**. Motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

4) UPDATES ON CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS.

Parks and Recreation Director Weed talked about how great Veterans Day turned out, with an awesome speaker, the Auburndale choir, ROTC, and a 21 gun salute. The Mackay Centennial will be taking place this Friday night, and proceeds for it will go towards the restoration the garden archway since it is starting to come down. He talked about the Christmas parade coming up, with Santa Claus and the tree lighting. The employee Christmas party will be taking place as well and invites will go out for that, with the theme being "Ugly Christmas Sweater". Bluegrass will be coming up as well.

Chairperson Johnson asked if there were any other questions, or concerns.

There were none.

Chairperson Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn. **Board Member Jones** made the motion, seconded by **Vice Chairperson Fawcett**.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Anaeli Quinones". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Anaeli Quinones
Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant