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**Present**: Mike Eykyn, Ron Bailey, Anthony Gibbs, Chris Burgess, Eric Jackson **Absent (excused)**: None

- I. Call to Order: Mr. Eykyn called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
- **II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**: Mr. Bailey gave the invocation and led the Commission in the pledge of allegiance.
- **III. Public Comment:** Introduction of our newest teammate Anya Bolger to the Commission. We welcome Mr. Johnston to the meeting who is a past Commissioner and the newest Hall of Fame inductee. He expressed his appreciation of the award.
- **IV. Approval of the Minutes:** Mr. Bailey approved the minutes of March 23, 2023 and April 27, 2023. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- V. New Business:
  - **A. Policy 7.2 Facility Reservations:** Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the Facility Reservation policy as presented. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. Discussion was had. The motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Financial Reports: Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the April 2023 Financial Reports. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Executive Director's Report: Budget hearing dates and times have changed. The third reading and public hearing is now scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Ms. Klugman asked the Commission to reach out to the Council members as we are asking for a milage increase. Ms. Klugman also noted that Mr. Burgess and Mr. Gibbs' Commission application is due June 5 to County Council staff. Ms. Klugman noted that NRPA is in Dallas, Texas this year on October 10-12. SCRPA/NCRPA Joint Conference will be December 11-13. If you would like to attend, please let us know. Ms. Klugman reminded the Commission to that the meeting will be moved to 6pm starting June 2023. Staff asked the commission to change the public hours of the Administrative office; we would like to close at 4pm on Fridays instead of 5:30pm and utilize our staffing more efficiently. The Commission agreed that the new hours make sense and approved the change.

## VII. Department Reports:

A. HR / Finance: Ms. Klugman did not have anything to add to her April report.

- B. Recreation Report: Our new Program Coordinator has started and so far she is doing a great job jumping right in. Programs and Tennis are busy getting ready for summer camp. We have summer camp training this week and next week. We are still interviewing and getting new people hired as quickly as we can. Spring baseball season is coming to an end and All Star is gearing up. Rentals are starting to slow down mostly because they requests that we have had have been during camp hours so there is no room.
- C. Operations Report: Mr. Stefan has spent time getting Ms. Bolger onboarded as well as helping other departments prepare for summer camp.
- D. Family Fitness Plus Report: Mr. Burke noted that one of our recent hires at the front desk has unique insights on better recruitment strategies so we will be working with her on a presentation for our HR department. Mr. Burke noted that we may be partnering with a private karate dojo for additional martial arts offerings at the fitness center. Sirisky Services has been helping to tweak the morganizer. John Brooks is fixing some of the doors in the pool area and possibly the sauna. We are using the Building Improvement Fee to make some improvements to the Fitness Center and make an "Oasis" area that would be a sitting area or a gathering area for the members.

## VIII. Department Proposals: None

## IX. Unfinished Business:

- A. Capital Improvement Plan: The only item to pay out of the revenue bond is the morganizer.
- B. Forest Lakes Greenbelt Project: We have purchased picnic tables, garbage cans and a bench for Forest Lakes Park. We are still waiting on the stormwater permit for the demolition to begin so the installation of the playground equipment can be scheduled.
- C. Forest Acres Improvement: The City will be closing Playground Road/West Oak Forest Road to through traffic starting May 30 to install the drainage culverts across the road. It is expected to take two (2) weeks to complete that part.
- X. Executive Session: The Commission entered into Executive Session at 7:34pm to discuss two legal matters.
- XI. Adjournment: The Commission left executive session at 8:45pm. No votes were taken and no motions were made. The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm.