



# **RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH**

155 Corey Avenue

**February 2, 2010**

9:00 a.m.

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## **REGULAR MEETING**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Minutes Approval**
- 4. 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report**
- 5. Egan Park Expansion**
- 6. Community Garden**
- 7. Audience Comments**
- 8. Schedule Next Meeting**
- 9. Adjournment**

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CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH  
155 COREY AVENUE**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2010  
9:00 A.M.**

**Present:** Scott Seubert, Bill Ritchie, Gregory Premer

**Also present:** Steve Hallock, Director of Public Services  
Pamala Prell, Deputy City Clerk

**Absent:** Chairman Wendy Johnson (excused)  
Bud Cherry (excused)

**Call to Order**

Mr. Seubert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Premer made a motion to approve the minutes of, August 4, 2008; November 24, 2009; April 21, 2009; June 9, 2009; July 14, 2009; August 17, 2009; September 1, 2009; and January 19, 2010, as written. Mr. Bill Ritchie seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report**

Ms. Sharon Smith, Recreation Administrator, gave an overview of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report. She reported that the revenues were at about 36% and expenditures were also about 36%. There was a general question answer session. A copy of this report is on file in the City's Finance records.

Ms. Mandy Edmunds, Program Coordinator, gave a summary of new programs that will be offered at the Community Center. She advised that they would be adding a summer camp for grades 5-7 which will have separate activities than the grade school children.

Ms. Smith provided a copy of the program guide and new lunch trips schedule for the Committee members.

Mr. Steve Hallock, Public Services Director, mentioned that the budget process for next year has begun and that it will be another tough year, with budget cuts as much as 10%. Mr. Ritchie stated that he felt that the cuts may be greater than that, possible 20% based on the County's property assessments.

### **Egan Park Expansion**

Mr. Ed Pickhardt, Grant/Contract Administrator, gave a summary of the seven grants that the City is seeking to offset costs for the park expansion as well as solar panels and covers for the City's swimming pool. There was a question answer session.

**Mr. Ritchie made a motion to approve the application for a \$200,000 LWCF Grant for the Egan Park property expansion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Premer. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote approval.**

Mr. Hallock, Public Services Director, advised that on the next meeting agenda the layout and design of the park will be discussed.

There were many suggestions given as ways to get public input for the park design. Ms. Smith agreed to explore these suggestions.

A copy of layout of the park showing the expansion is attached hereto and made a part of these official minutes.

### **Community Garden**

Ms. Smith reported that herself and Mr. Cherry (Committee Member) visited Lido Park and McKenney Park looking for an appropriate site for a community garden. She reported that they felt that McKenney Park was the best choice. She advised that the garden could be on the vacant lot that the City recently purchased since the house has been torn down. There was a general discussion regarding the location for the garden. Ms. Smith agreed to revisit Lido Park to see if there was room for a garden and report back to the Committee at their next meeting.

Ms. Smith stated that the Garden would ultimately be maintained by volunteers and she asked that if anyone had any ideas or would like to be part of the Community Garden Volunteer group to please contact the Community Center.

### **Audience Comments**

There were no audience comments.

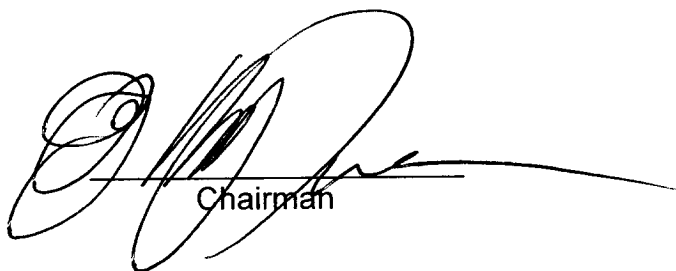
**Schedule Next Meeting**

There was a meeting set for Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. which will take place at Egan Park as a "Fact Finding Meeting."

The next regular meeting was set for Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall.

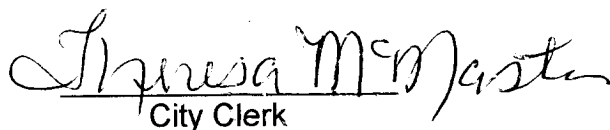
**Adjournment**

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.



Chairman

Attest:



City Clerk