



CITY OF FLORENCE

PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MEETING

September 2, 2021

PRESENT: Roger Malfatti, Donnie Carter, Carlos Washington, Scott Murphy, Sanovia Arcenaux, Thomasina Foster

OTHERS: Jerry Dudley, Tim Wilson, Victoria Nash, Gracie Allen

ABSENT: James McLaughlin, Bruce Mallick, Michael Montrose, Nikki Player, Jerry Keith, Barry Wingard, Chuck Pope, Bubby Floyd Simon Lee, Walter Sallenger, Alexis Fleming, George Scipio, Anna Belk-Wentzell

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Roger Malfatti called the meeting to order at 8:30AM.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of the August 2021 meeting were approved.

APPEARANCES/REQUESTS BEFORE COMMISSION:

There were no appearances/request at the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

No vacancies. There are ordinances and codes that enforce the fact that members can only miss three meetings in a twelve-month period. Zoom and in person meetings will continue, and members are asked to attend.

STAFF REPORTS:

Tim:

Currently, we are still rolling with all our athletic programs. Fall football will begin next weekend. Everything is on a go for our fall sports, which includes baseball, cheerleading, softball, volleyball, and cross-country. We are looking forward to a couple of big tournaments coming up this fall.

The construction of the playground at Northwest is complete and I will be meeting with the paving contractor to start an outline on the project at Northwest next week. The bids for the paving and the fencing at South Park have been accepted. That project will begin within the next couple of weeks.

The sports complex is moving along, we had about a \$288,000.00 change order for the track because of unsuitable soils. Everything is progressing even though they have not been out at the complex, but they should start going vertical either this week or next week with some of the buildings.

Victoria:

In our recreation side there are a few spots available for our afterschool programming. Yesterday started our registration for our fall camp which will be October 4th through October 8th. The cost will be \$26.00 for our 6–12-year old's, for our teens for fall camp we have a special group coming in that's going to do a special collegiate camp for all teenagers. All the spots for this teens camp are sponsored so it will be free to all that sign up.

The construction is still going on at Levy Park renovations and the expected end date for this is October 3rd. We also have a new administrative office assistant, Tonya Gee.

Jerry:

We do have the Parks Commission on the City Councils agenda for this month, which will be September 13th at 1:00 P.M. The Parks Commission needs to submit the comprehensive annual report, which is due next week. I will make sure everything is in the packet.

Our MUNIS system (our payment software system) is being upgraded the weekend of the 10th through the 13th of September. On Friday, September 10th at the end of the day, probably about three hours we will stop taking payments through the system. We will push this information out on social media and it shouldn't affect us too much. If people were to come in we can take cash payments but not credit card.

Veterans Park

Donnie:

9/11 is coming up next week, and we will be having a 9/11 ceremony that will be at 8:30 A.M. If anyone wants to come, the ceremony will last about thirty minutes.

Park Oversight Committee

Freedom Florence	Good	Bubby and Carlos
Dr. lola Jones Park	Good	George

Jeffries Creek Park	Good	Barry
Levy Park	Good	James
Lucas Park	Good	Scott
Maple Park	Good	Thomasina
McLeod Park	Good	Bubby
Northside Park	Good	Thomasina
Northwest Park	Good	Anna
Rail Trail	Good	Walter
Soccer Complex	Good	Bruce and Donnie
South Park	Good	Roger
Timrod Park	Good	Nikki
Tennis Complex	Good	Alexis
Veterans Park	Good	Veterans Park Comm.

New Business:

Meeting was adjourned.