

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Wednesday, January 7, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.

Centennial Park Recreation Center – Large Multipurpose room

Minutes

Board Members

William Dryburgh, Chairman – At Large
Maria Greenberg – Vice-Chair At Large
Steven Leskovich – District 1
Laura J. Rouse – District 2
Kay Tvaroch - District 3
Robin Cyphert – District 4
Erick Toth – District 5

County Representatives

Tina Powell, PNR Manager
Leah Williams, Rec. Superintendent
Chad Campbell, Rec. Supervisor
Sarah Shields, Program Assistant
Tommy Scott, Director

1. Chairman to Announce:

- Anyone wishing to address the board during this portion of the meeting must state one's name for the record and what agenda subject is to be discussed. Discussion is limited to matters identified on this agenda.

2. Election of Chairman & Vice-Chair

Nomination for Steve Leskovich made a motion for Chairman William Dryburgh to continue as Chairman with a seconded by Robin Cyphert. Steve Leskovich made a motion for Maria Greenberg as Vice-Chair. No further nominations were made, and Robin Cyphert seconded the motion. Both William and Maria accepted the nominations.

3. Roll Call by Jane Ravella

All Board members were present.

4. Approval of December 2025 Minutes

The chairman asked if anyone had any questions? Motion to approve by Kay Tvaroch.

5. Division Reports

November 2025 – While the members looked over the reports, they all agreed they were okay.

6. Old Business

- Event Center Seawall is in design/permitting with CEC as our Vendor. Funding by CIP for the seawall replacement, FEMA mitigation monies for hardening; Hurricane fund for the harbor walk repairs. Harbor-walk in Facilities workflow; there is language in the CEC contract to do design. If we hold for the hardening permit it may take up to 2 ½ years.
Current Facilities/amenities closure: PCB (1 lane); Playgrounds closed Kiwanis (2-5); Canoe/Kayak launch – Spring Lake; South Gulf Cove boat ramp. Hurricane Helene & Milton – park closures/phased openings in Anger, Bayshore Live Oak Park, Boca Grande (partial), and Placida fishing pier; El Jobean fishing pier; Englewood Beach & Chadwick (partial), Live Oak Point, Port Charlotte Beach Park

(partial). Englewood Beach Phase 2 for reopening complete. Bayshore Live Oak Park work begins Monday 12/15 in progress expected completion in 45 days.

Dugout/Bleacher shade at these parks Centennial, Harold Ave., South County Regional. Freestanding playground shade at these park Centennial playground and soccer, Rotonda Playground, Harold Ave Playground, Carmalita playground, Ann & Chuck Dever playground, South County Regional soccer, Franz Ross playground, Deep Creek playground and Tringali Park playground in permitting.

Flagpole repair/replacements at: William R. Gaines Jr. Veterans Memorial Park, South County Regional, Harold Ave and Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Parks. We can say that there are many more repairs, replacements and we are doing our best.

7. New Business

- Tommy mentioned design is coming along for the Englewood Board Walk. Shades in progress, as well as restrooms. Maria commented she has gone to see the PCB area and the work is going great.
- Senior Games Recap was given by Chad Campbell and Sarah Shields. They provided a sheet with all the events they held from 2024 and 2025. In 2024 they held 12 events with a total of 332 people, and then in 2025 they had 12 events 355 people. Pickleball was the biggest event. They invite anyone who would like to help and get more people join in a partnership.
- Tina Powell, Manager Parks and Natural Resources presented the Capital Maintenance Plan (**CMP**) FY26 **CMP** to address repair, replacement and master plan expansion projects. Comprised 76 individual projects; totaling \$9.5 million; over 12 different categories (Boat Ramps, Seawalls and Shorelines, Buildings, Court & Field Resurfacing, Electrical & Lighting, Environmental, Equipment hurricane recovery, parking & stormwater, Parks Master plan, Playgrounds, Pools & Splashpads, Trails, Boardwalks & Piers.

8. Member Issues – 1. Where is Centennial Fishing Pier? Bottom of Placida, right at the turn of the causeway, next to the Centennial Bridge. 2. What is a Meditation Station? We carve out some areas that would give people who might just want to sit and be quiet. They will be in different parks, some may have pods, other areas just away from trails for quite reflection. Part of our Mission of Health for the well-being of people.

9. Sports Council Update - Erick Toth

- No Meeting in December

10. Director's Report – There were many colleges that found our Pool a great place to train, and we had a team from Canada that also enjoyed their training here and complimented our staff for the swag, shirts and towels they received. We suspect them to come back next year.

11. Citizen Input - Happy New Year from Commissioner Doherty

12. Announcement

13. Upcoming Events

14. Adjournment – 3:55 pm

There may be one or more Board of County Commissioners in attendance at any given meeting.