

**Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
November 19, 2015
Village Hall, 9705 East Hibiscus Street, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157**

1. Call to Order. The following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee were present:
Dr. Edward Feller, Chair
Frank DeValdivielso, Secretary
Beth Adler
Margery Glickman
2. Approval of Minutes: The Committee approved the Minutes of October 28, 2015.
3. Public Comments. Mr. Ed Silva, Village Manager, presented Coral Reef Park proposal. A consensus of the Committee was reached not to build a 15,000 SF community center at Coral Reef Park.

Skeegie Science and Nature Academy: The representative presented an idea to create a Nature Center. The ideas included bringing the classroom outside and having interactive exhibits for the children. Dr. Feller requested the proponents put together a list of websites that describe the nature centers and how they operate. Dr. Feller requests members to research beyond the list of websites. Ms. Erica Watts, President of PTA at Coral Reef Elementary, Yoedi Burgos, President of Nature Postings.

4. Selection of member to serve on Veterans' Park Advisory Committee.

Mr. Schaffer described the scope of the park. Ms. Margery Glickman volunteered to be on the committee. Ms. Beth Adler volunteered to be alternate.

5. CPR courses for Residents (Dr. Feller) Proposes that this be handled under Parks and Recreation. Goes to council for approval.

6. Feral Cats (Ms. Glickman) Proposes traps are put out in our parks twice a year. Animals trapped are then vaccinated for rabies, neutered, spayed. TNR program at the parks.
Ms. Carmona will check with Animal Services and The Humane Society for services they can provide at a minimal cost to the Village.
7. Coral Reef Park – functional uses for racquetball/tennis courts (Ms. Adler). Proposes to keep the tennis wall and come up with multiple uses for the half that is not used.
8. Discussion concerning the aesthetics of Coral Reef versus Palmetto Bay Parks (Ms. Adler) Proposes to keep the tree canopy and maintain the natural look instead of cement and asphalt.
9. New Business for future Agenda.
 - a. Dr. Feller will discuss a year schedule
 - b. Meeting locations at the individual parks for the next four meetings.
 - c. State of the parks address
10. Schedule of future Committee Meetings
11. Adjournment