

**MINUTES**  
**Parks & Recreation and Community Outreach Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 7, 2022 - 7:00 PM**

Committee Members in Attendance:

Ed Feller - acting Chair

Leo Llinas – Secretary

David Greenwell

Beth Alder

Fanny Carmona, Director of Parks & Recreation

Council person: Patrick Fiori

Approval of Minutes:

- a. Thursday, November 4, 2021 (to be completed and submitted)
  - Take out the agenda. Un-noted
- b. Thursday, March 3, 2022
  - March 3, 2022, minutes approved. David motioned to approve. Unanimously approved.

Discussion of agenda items:

- a. Pocket Parks
  - Will be addressed in the parks master plan.
- b. Softball Hall of Fame Project
  - David turned in the application. Fanny will submit it to the council.
- c. Status of Birch Property
  - Fanny: "Palmetto Bay has not been able to access the property."
  - Patrick: "There are DERM issues with the property."
- d. Response from county on "The Woods" extension of terms request
  - Fanny: "County requested a second letter. Palmetto Bay is still waiting to hear back from the county."
- e. Follow-up on the dogs at the Farmer's Market in Coral Reef Park
  - Fanny: "Posted signage saying dogs are not allowed. Staff is addressing the issue but it is a challenge."
  - Patrick: "Residents have complained about dogs loose in the park. It is an issue that might have to be discussed."
  - Beth: "We need a consistent policy. I agree with Patrick. There should not be dogs in the park."
  - Fanny: "The problem is that there is a resolution allowing dogs at the Framer's Market."

- Patrick will bring it up to the COW and speak with the village manager.
- f. Answer to how many committee members this committee should have
- Reason for expansion: It is easier to meet quorum. It is also difficult to find people who want to volunteer at committees.
  - Beth: “reach out to people who are active at the parks.”
  - Feller: “As members of the committee, let’s find people who are interested in serving in the committee. What is the procedure to recommend people?”
  - Patrick: “Ask interested people to reach out to Fanny. The person would have to be nominated by a member council.”
- g. Update on trainers’ agreements, Coral Reef Park café & community building
- Fanny: “The permit ordinance passed. PB is starting to get all coaches to comply with the new ordinance. Last inspection will be April 12 for the Coral Reef Park cafe.”
  - Fanny: “PB has reached out for a proposal for the community building but has not received it back.”
  - David: “Can we make the recreational room part of the master plan? This would speed it up.”
  - Patrick: “The council voted to build the building. It is approved to be built.”
  - Feller: “Could we send a request for proposal?”
  - Fanny: “The location has to be approved in the parks master plan.”
  - Beth: “The building has to open to an open-air pavilion, outdoor space. This is a lesson from COVID. Buildings should have the ability to expand and be versatile.”
  - Nick: “PB is very kind to build the community building. It is a good idea to seek public input. The parks master plan should be completed by December 2022.
  - Patrick: “The money was budgeted. PB has not been able to find an architect and contractor to apply.”
  - Fanny: “We are not going to lose time if we use the parks master plan to identify the location, size, amenities, and other deals. We are asking now for a concept design.”
  - Feller: “Sounds like we are talking about a few years before we even start construction. It has been a long time since ”
  - Put community building in the master plan and move quickly with diligence.

#### New business

- Beth: “Add another pickle ball court on the south side at Coral Reef. Look at the skateboard park at PB Park in the parks master plan. That facility should be open and updated. There is also the possibility of installing a pickle ball court.”

Beth: I want to thank everybody in the committee, PB staff, and the council.

Thank you Beth for your friendship and hard work to make the community a better place.

Recommendation: host most meetings virtually with 4 meetings in person. The next meeting will be in person, then we will go virtual until the fall.

Adjournment - 7:45 p.m. Unanimously approved