

**TOWN OF MALABAR
AGENDA – PARK & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

August 15th, 2007 @ 7:30 P.M.

**Town of Malabar
Council Chambers**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – PRAYER & PLEDGE

ROLL-CALL OF MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: July 18th, 2007

PUBLIC INPUT

ACTION : None

DISCUSSION:

Options for Payment of Trailhead Restroom

Parks and Recreation Fund 110 and Fund 103 Review

Disc Golf Park Walk-through Report

Grass Cutting Observations

Park Irrigation Controls

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURN

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**MALABAR PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
August 15th, 2007**

The meeting of the Malabar Park and Recreation Advisory Board was held at Malabar Town Hall, 2725 Malabar Road on this date. Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Chairman Hans Kemmler, who led with the Prayer and Pledge.

CHAIRMAN:

Hans Kemmler - present

BOARD MEMBERS:

Dick Korn – excused
Bill Withers – present
Bob Siegmann – present
Vickie Thomas – present

1ST ALTERNATE – Josh Treadwell – present
2ND ALTERNATE – Scott Pollard - present

STAFF:

Sharon White, Recording Secretary – present

Approval of Park Board Minutes from July 18th 2007

Motion: Withers/Thomas made motion to approve the above minutes as amended/corrected/submitted.

Vote: All Ayes

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Hans wanted on record that the last minutes on the website are from last year. Vickie stated that the map is also last months map, it is July's.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None

ACTION:

None

DISCUSSION:

Options for Payment of Trailhead Restroom

Kemmler - The Department of Environmental Protection denied our grant. Of the grants the agency received only 12 were funded and they were all related to trails and boardwalks.

Motion: Withers/Siegmann made a motion to take this off the table from last months meeting, and discuss it at this meeting.

All Ayes

Kemmler – so we have the options of leaving everything like it is or try to advise the Council to take some of the funds that is in the Parks & Recreation or General Fund to purchase a

second porta-potty or a more moderately priced restroom or try to advise the Council to go for one like the one at the park for \$70K or \$80K. Kemmler -Alex Weiss, from the Department of Environmental Protection mentioned other sources for grants. She stated that if you want to build a restroom you are on your own. The trail must be in place when you try to obtain a grant for a restroom. It looked more like a park to them than a trail. Withers – we have survived without a restroom there and we do not know what is going to happen with the state cutting funds and maybe we should wait until next year. Thomas – I don't think we should drop it. Kemmler- or we can ask Council to use some of the money from the developers. With the trail coming down Marie St. it may get more use. Should we pursue other avenues and drop it for now. Siegmann – maybe we should get the paperwork prepared ahead of time. Withers – the paperwork is already prepared; it may just need a little tweaking. Kemmler - so should we ask Council for any help on this from developers, or should we just try to keep applying for grants from other sources? Let's look at what options we have and we will put this on the agenda again for next time to discuss again. Withers – with the hurricanes coming, if I was on Council I wouldn't let anyone touch the General Fund money. Kemmler – okay, from what I am hearing we shouldn't try at this time to ask Council to put any money into this, we should keep on trying to apply for other revenues and grants. We will put this on as a discussion item again for next meeting.

Parks and Recreation Fund 110 and Fund 103 Review

Kemmler – has the figures on this. Fund 103 has \$3,462.00 and Fund 110 has \$71,610.88, and this account is drawing interest on it.

Disc Golf Park Walk-through Report

Kemmler – walked through the park and the first time there was a lot of garbage and then he went through again a week later, and there was very little garbage and it also has been cut again.

Thomas- In relation to whoever is cutting the grass, someone has been leaving the gate open at the north end of Corey road. Hans will try to find out who is leaving it open.

Grass Cutting Observations

Kemmler – there is some sort of grass (crab grass) growing at the North end of the soccer field.

Thomas – are we supposed to be mowing the north end of Corey Rd. just past the gates? It's not the way it was when Mr. Withers was mowing it. Withers – we are supposed to cut north of the gate. There are 18" rattlesnakes out there, I've seen them. Kemmler – Do we want this added onto the things the contractor mows? Withers – my question is why did we stop? Kemmler – I have to talk to the Town Administrator about the gate open at north end of Corey and the grass cut 150 yards in at the gate at north Corey.

Park Irrigation Controls

Kemmler – Who is responsible for setting the timing for the irrigation? I just want to know who is responsible in case something goes wrong with it. I just want more than one person to know how it works. Withers – I know how it works, just call me. Kemmler – I was up there during the daytime and the sprinklers were on and that just doesn't seem right. Withers – that's not right, unless they had just put fertilizer down.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

New:

Withers – On July 24th, on Channel 9, the Food and Drug Administration reported that Volusia County reported that there will be no more smoking in their parks. That now makes Orange and Volusia Counties smoke free parks. Thomas – I'm not a smoker, but where else can they go? Withers – If you have a child 4 years old, do you want them sitting next to a smoker? I could cut grass and smell it.

Thomas – They are still blocking the trails with wood. They are making piles. Kemmler – when I went out with the EEL's people, we took down about 3 piles, but when I went out on the Cameron Preserve, I didn't see any piles. Thomas – I think someone is trying to block the horses from coming through. Kemmler – I have heard that the bicyclist don't like the horses on the trails. When the weather cools down we can drag some of this out of there.

Old:

Kemmler – In our last minutes, we resolved to make a motion to assist in establishing a Trails and Greenways Committee. Has anyone applied and is there an application for this? Withers – the Trails and Greenways is not under us. Kemmler – No, it is not under us, but we should either have one or not have one. The lawyer has said yes, you can do this. Most of the paths are clear. At the next Council meeting, I will ask if we have any form for people to fill out to be on this committee. Withers – can we make a recommendation to the Town Administrator to have it put in the Mailboat? Kemmler – first we have to have a form to fill out and then I will ask the Town Administrator to have it put in the Mailboat.

Kemmler – One more thing before we end, Alex Weiss the Trails and Greenways Grant Coordinator stated that as far as a grant for the restroom at the Trailhead, some towns get a "not-for-profit" organization started; a group of people that do the paperwork to become a non-profit organization and then they can solicit funds for this type of thing. I will look into this more.

ADJOURN

MOTION: Withers/Thomas move to adjourn. VOTE: All Ayes. This meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes approved on 9/19/07