

**WELLINGTON
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2024 - 7:00 PM
WELLINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

MINUTES

Members Present: Sam Falzone, Tomas Bueno, Peter Bartuska, Stephanie Cagnet Myron, Marc Coleman, Stephen Levin

Members Absent: Anthony Forgione

Village Staff: Daryl Boyd, Branden Miller, Tanya Quickel

I. Call to Order/Opening Comments

The meeting began at 7:00pm. The meeting was held at Wellington City Hall Council Chambers and there was 1 absent member which was Anthony Forgione.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Sam Falzone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved without objection.

IV. Approval of Minutes

The agenda was approved by a 6-0 vote with Anthony Forgione absent.

V. New Business

A. Election of Chair/Vice Chair

Stephen Levin nominated Sam Falzone to retain his position as the Chair.

Tomas Bueno made a made a motion for Sam Falzone to maintain his role.

Sam Falzone accepted his nomination and stated he is glad to continue to serve.

Tomas Bueno nominated Stephen Levin to retain his position as Vice Chair.

There were no objections.

B. Update on the Penny Sales Tax

Tanya Quickel presents the surtax update. She explained the breakdown of the current expenditures and what projects have been included in those expenses.

Stephen Levin asked about why we are expected to reach the maximum sooner than expected.

Tanya Quickel explained that there's a lot of people moving in to Palm Beach County, a lot of tourism, and that business is good.

VI. Old Business

VII. Staff Updates

Eric Juckett gave the board members a departmental update including the upcoming events, tournaments, and programs. He discussed the unveiling of the new futsal at the uncovered hockey rink.

Stephen Levin asked about the covered hockey rink and when it was renovated, and if there were any other facilities in need of renovations in the near future.

Eric responded that the covered hockey rink flooring was redone not too long ago. Eric also stated that they try to renovate a field each year and that Field 22 was completed recently.

Marc Coleman asked if there was any feedback from the Garlic Fest.

Eric stated that everything went well this year.

Sam Falzone asked to receive an update on the Urban Forestry Program.

Tanya Quickel responded that Wellington had received a grant from the USDA Urban Forestry Program for 747,500 and Wellington will match it 100%. It will be spent to reforest the 45-acre Moncada property purchased by Wellington.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Board Comments

Tomas Bueno thanked the staff for their hard work and stated he was impressed.

Marc Coleman stated that he would like to tour some facilities with staff to discuss upcoming projects and see some of the recent things that have been done such as the skate park.

Daryl Boyd stated that staff would reach out to the board members to schedule a tour.

Marc Coleman stated that these meetings go very well and that he appreciates staff.

Peter Bartuska also thanked staff and explained how grateful he is for the partnership with the Village of Wellington.

X. Closing Comment

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14pm.

Chairperson