

Village of Wellington

*12300 Forest Hill Blvd
Wellington, FL 33414*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 7, 2020

7:00 PM

Village Hall

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

*Neil Brooks
Tomas Bueno
Stephanie Cagnet Myron
Marc Coleman
Dr. Samuel Falzone
Anthony Forgione
Stephen A. Levin*

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Anthony Forgione led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Anthony Forgione requested a motion to approve the agenda which was unanimously approved 6-0. Dr. Sam Falzone was not in attendance.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**A.**

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes 09.14.20 Final](#)

Anthony Forgione requested a motion to approve the minutes from the September 14th, 2020 meeting which was unanimously approved 6-0. Dr. Sam Falzone was not in attendance.

V. PRESENTATION**A.**

Attachments: [Sales Surtax Memo - 12.07.2020 PRAB MEETING](#)

Ms. Quickel gave a presentation on the current status of surtax related projects revenue and expenses. She gave some detail on the Wellington High School, Town Center and Promenade projects. She discussed upcoming social distancing events.

Stephen Levin asked how it would happen that the surtax collected has exceeded the budget since its inception. Ms. Quickel explained that Wellington was expected to receive a dollar amount within a particular range and the budgeted amount was an average. She also explained that sales are in excess of what was planned resulting in surtax being collected in higher amounts.

B.

Attachments: [Golf Cart Transmittal to Council 11-1-2020](#)
[Golf Cart Operational Study 6-17-20 Final Draft](#)
[2020-xx Golf Carts DRAFT 8.10.20](#)
[2020-xx Golf Carts TABLES 8.10.20](#)

Mr. O'Dell gave a presentation on the Golf Cart Operational Study and Draft Golf Cart Ordinance that was presented to Village Council on October 8, 2020. He explained that Council recommended that public input be obtained on the

draft ordinance beginning with boards and committees.

Marc Scott asked Mr. O'Dell if he could restate the need for a Golf Cart Ordinance. He explained that Council asked for this and that in order to do this to meet state standards, a study must be prepared that evaluates, traffic volumes, speeds within the Village, and the characteristics of traffic.

Anthony Forgione stated that it's concerning that there are golf carts with additional horsepower and drivers who are very young. Mr. O'Dell explained that they are working closely with PBSO and receiving their input.

Marc Scott asked if there was a safety concern or a particular reason behind the need for an ordinance to allow golf carts on roadways. Mr. O'Dell explained that over the years, there have been more golf carts in use, particularly by parents around schools. He mentioned that there have been a few incidents between pedestrian traffic and golf carts over the past few years. He also explained that this coincides with the Village's plan of widening the pathways.

Stephen Levin asked Mike about the difference between roadways and pathways. He asked if the 8' pathways was isolated from regular motor vehicle traffic, and if the 8' pathways would be paved or unpaved. Mr. O'Dell explained that they are paved and that it's part of a multi-modal system. He also explained that they are different than roadways in that the roadways are within communities with less than 25 miles per hour speed limits, and pathways are next to thoroughfares.

Stephen Levin then asked if on Pierson Road, which has a pathway for equestrian use on one, if we are working on shared use. Mr. O'Dell mentioned that he is working with the Equestrian Preserve Committee to come up with an actual designated multipurpose pathway where golf cart and horse rider can be separated.

Stephen Levin followed up with a question about when and where the Neighborhood Watch Meeting would be. Mr. O'Dell responded by saying Wednesday at 5:00pm on ZOOM.

Marc Scott asked what multi-modal means. Mr. O'Dell explained that this is a new term he has been working with the State DOT and others to provide for motorized vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians.

Marc Scott followed up by asking about Wellington's plan to handle pedestrian traffic and golf carts on shared pathways. Mr. O'Dell explained that if the pathway is increased to 12' wide, then they would look into centerline striping but less than that width, it's not required. He also discussed the registration requirements that the golf cart owner would have to meet to receive a tag from the Village. He mentioned that one of these requirements is acknowledging that pedestrians have priority over golf carts.

Marc Scott then asked how we would be paying for this. Mr. O'Dell responded by saying that the widening of pathways will likely come from the general fund but they have been trying to obtain grant dollars from the TPA and that they have received some so far.

Marc Scott asked if there were any plans for increasing the roadways for road bikes. Mr. O'Dell explained that they are trying to get additional bike lines into the community and discussed some roads in Wellington that they are trying to pave the shoulder area for bicyclists.

Marc Scott then stated that Wellington should like to improve upon bike lanes on roadways. Mr. O'Dell explained that Wellington is working on this and gave examples by displaying a map from his presentation and pointing out certain roads that are being looked at for bike lanes.

Tomas Bueno asked if this will include UTV's like John Deere's utility vehicles or if this will be just for golf carts. Mr. O'Dell explained that it's golf carts only.

Stephanie Myron asked about the operational permits required for golf cart owners and whether or not each driver of the golf cart would need something other than their driver's license in which Mr. O'Dell responded that she was correct.

Marc Scott asked if the permit process was going to be done by Wellington. Mr. O'Dell responded yes.

Stephanie Myron asked about any reasoning behind the age being 16 as opposed to 14 which is consistent with the state law. Mr. O'Dell explained that this was the direction from Council and that they are working with PBSO on how to handle this issue.

The committee thanked Mike for his presentation and Tomas Bueno commented on how it was good to see Wellington moving forward with this.

VI. STAFF UPDATES

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Mr. Juckett gave staff updates. He gave an update on Covid and its impacts on programs and services offered. He gave a brief update on current and upcoming events. He went over social distancing practices for events at the amphitheater. He gave an update on youth sports and winter/spring program registration through our new software CivicRec.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

X. BOARD COMMENTS

Stephen Levin was glad to be back in a face to face setting.

Marc Scott complimented Eric for his adaptation to the Covid situation. Mr. Juckett credit the staff and their work ethic.

Tomas Bueno thanked staff for their hard work.

Anthony Forgione stated how blessed he is to be in Wellington and how phenomenal we are as a municipality.

XI. CLOSING COMMENT

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm.

NOTICE