

**MINUTES  
BAY OAKS RECREATIONAL CAMPUS  
ADVISORY BOARD (BORCAB)**

Mound House  
451 Connecticut St.  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931  
Wednesday, November 1, 2023

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chair Simpson.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Becky Guidry, Barbara Hill, Betty Simpson and Joy Sullivan (via phone).  
Excused/Absent: Bruce Butcher, John Dussliere and Jesse Field.  
Staff: Director Culture, Parks & Recreation Jeff Hauge  
Council Liaison: Karen Woodson

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 4, 2023**

Clarification: BORCAB Member Hill suggested that the Friends of Bay Oaks Board not be on the BORCAB Board and vice versa.

**MOTION:** BORCAB Member Guidry moved to approve the amended minutes; second by BORCAB Member Hill.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Town Manager Hyatt thanked BORCAB members for their service. He indicated that besides elevation changes, there were no significant changes to the pre-Ian Bay Oaks project. He thought they should move forward with building the gymnasium, too. The swimming pool was being addressed and drawings would be drafted after funding was secured. He discussed the challenges of his job, rebuilding a town and the importance of setting and reaching goals. Discussion was held regarding options for the entrance to Bay Oaks and new landscaping. BORCAB Member Hill shared the history of coconut palms in Fort Myers Beach.

**VI. STAFF LIAISON REPORT**

Director Hauge reported that the Bayside Concert series will start on Sunday, November 12, 2023, at Bayside Park from 4:00-7:00 p.m. He thanked the staff for their support concerning the Little League field event. He added that more events will be planned at the facility. Discussion was held regarding instructors for exercise classes.

**VII. FRIENDS OF BAY OAKS REPORT – no report.**

**VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – Redevelopment Plan – Bay Oaks Campus**

Director Hauge noted the redevelopment plan was on the internet and he would send BORCAB more details. Chair Simpson stated that the amphitheater was important and Liaison Woodson suggested that BORCAB spend a meeting discussing plans for Bay Oaks. BORCAB Member Hill brought up hiring an architect to draw up plans for a combined facility to create an inspirational and welcoming building. Director Hauge will forward all the plans to members. Town Manager Hyatt and Operations and Compliance Director Kropacek will be invited to the next meeting regarding redevelopment plans.

**IX. MEMBER ITEMS AND REPORTS** – no items.

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT** – no public comment.

**XI. SET NEXT MEETING AGENDA AND DATE** – December 6, 2023, at noon.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** BORCAB Member Hill moved to adjourn; second by BORCAB Member Guidry.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

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