

**MINUTES - WORKSHOP  
FORT MYERS BEACH  
BAY OAKS RECREATIONAL CAMPUS ADVISORY BOARD (BORCAB)**

Bay Oaks Recreation Campus  
2731 Oak St.  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

**Friday, September 12, 2014**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Chair Simpson. Chair Simpson indicated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss purchase of the Reef property.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Members present: David Anderson and Betty Simpson.

Staff present: Sarah Mayher and Randy Norton.

**III. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS**

Ms. Mayher reported the property was purchased in 1976 for \$150,000, sold in 1990 for \$595,000, purchased in 2005 for 1.1 million, and purchased by the bank in 2014 for \$166,000. The property is currently assessed at \$210,000.

Mr. Norton discussed benefits of purchasing the property, including development of the campus to attract additional revenue, a dog park, a playground, and parking. Mr. Norton stated that parking would be approximately \$120,000 for the project and greater visibility would result in increased revenue. He indicated that additional annual revenue could be \$30,000.

Mr. Anderson and Mr. Norton discussed grants, projected revenue, and benefit to residents. Mr. Norton noted that 10 extra day passes per day was doable. Mr. Anderson stated the grant money could be used to develop a senior center, a dog park, a playground, and the ability to change the entrance to the pool.

Mr. Anderson discussed running tournaments during the slow season and the addition of two fields. Mr. Norton replied that an engineer deemed changes were impossible due to wetlands and part of the property was owned by the school. Mr. Anderson suggested collaboration with the school in the event the Reef was purchased. He discussed the possibility of a revenue-share opportunity with the school.

Mr. Norton stated approximately 20-30 parking spots would be created and possibly a splash park. Ms. Mayher addressed people who would use the parking for the beach instead of Bay Oaks. Discussion was held on lot attendants, paid parking, increasing access to activities, benefits to town, and sport clinics.

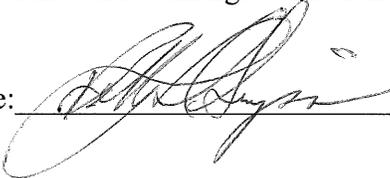
Consensus was reached to request permission from Town Council to investigate the purchase. Discussion was held concerning matching grants and preparing an executive summary for Council.

Chair Simpson noted that Mr. Norton would answer Council questions. Mr. Anderson indicated he would prepare an executive summary.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Simpson adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ with/without changes. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

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