NATURE CENTERS COMMISSION

August 14, 2014
The Lodge, 3726 S.W. 40th Blvd. Thursday – 7:00 PM

Preceding this meeting was a special recognition event honoring the long standing service of Pearse Hayes, an NCC board member since 1999. Mr. Hayes was presented with a framed photograph of a gopher tortoise by John Moran. Many members of the Hayes family and friends were in attendance. We were also joined by City Commissioner Randy Wells, Department Director Steve Phillips, and Assistant Department Director Michelle Park.

Minutes

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present
Leslie Straub	Jon Reiskind	Linda Demetropoulos
Taylor Stein	Penny Weber	
Rupa Lloyd		
David Miller, Chair		
Charles Pedersen		
Amy Carpus		

I. Call to Order and roll call. Called to order at 7:06 pm.

II. Agenda Approval

Motion By: Charles Pedersen	Seconded By: Rupa Lloyd
Moved To: Approve the agenda as submitted	Upon Vote: passed unanimously

III. Approval of July 10 Minutes

Motion By: Charles Pedersen	Seconded By: Leslie Straub
Moved To: Approve the minutes with modifications	Upon Vote: passed unanimously

IV. Chair Report

The Chair reported that he accepted the Parks, Recreation and Culture proclamation on July 17, 2014.

The Chair distributed the City of Gainesville's proposed priority list for the 1 cent transportation tax (if it is approved) which includes 55% to be spent on roadway improvements, 5% to be spent on bike/ped enhancements, and 40% on transit.

V. Treasurer's Report

Linda Demetropoulos reported that there is $7,142 available. This month's expenditures will be reflected in next month's report. Linda Demetropoulos provided receipts for expenditures as requested by the board. Leslie Straub asked that receipts go to the Treasurer and Dave Miller asked for receipts for the Chair.

Dave Miller appointed Leslie Straub as interim treasurer.

VI. Committee Reports

a. Policy – No report
b. PR & Awards – Storyboard Update – No report. Schedule a meeting for Sept.11, 6 pm.
c. Nominations - Schedule a meeting for Sept.11, 6 pm.

VII. PRCA Staff Report

Linda Demetropoulos distributed the staff report and responded to questions. Linda reported that she is moving ahead with hiring the NRM Program Coordinator and Temporary Nature Assistant position (tasked with improvements on newly acquired WSPP properties).

VIII. Friends of Nature Parks Report - No report

IX. Liaison Reports

a. Bicycle & Pedestrian Board (Vacant) – No report
b. Recreation & Open Space Advisory Board (Taylor Stein) – No report
c. Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee (David Miller) – No report

X. Old Business - None

XI. New Business

a. Form nomination committee (three people)
    i. Charlie Pedersen, Rupa Lloyd, Dave Miller

XII. Board or Citizen Comments – None

XIII. Next Meeting

a. September 11, 2014 - Elect 14/15 Officers
b. Term renewals due:
    i. Carpus, Amy 11/1/2014
    ii. Lloyd, Rupa 11/1/2014
    iii. Miller, David 11/1/2014
    iv. Reiskind, Jon 11/1/2014
    v. Straub, Leslie E 11/1/2014

XIV. Adjournment at 7:30 pm.

Chair signature

9/11/14
Date