

Farragut Parks and Athletics Council

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Tyler Mallison.

Present: Alden Rosner, Loretta Bradley, Valerie DeBoe (new member), Augie DiGiovanni, Michael Peters, Debbie Pinchok (new member)

Absent: Tim Hill, Noel Poindexter, Drew Carson (new member)

1. Tyler reviewed the minutes from the June 2016 meeting and they were unanimously approved.
2. New members Valerie DeBoe and Debbie Pinchok were introduced and discussed their interest and excitement about being part of the council.
3. Election of officers was held.

Tyler nominated Augie DiGiovanni to be chair. Seconded by Michael Peters.

Debbie nominated Valerie DeBoe to be vice chair. Tyler seconded.

Tyler nominated Debbie Pinchok to be secretary. Valerie seconded

All those nominated were elected unanimously.

4. Tyler led a review and discussion of the 2016 Goals. The by-laws were amended last year to include student participation on the Council. It is not known yet who that student might be or how the selection process will take place.

5. Sue Stuhl updated the Council on the incredible success of the enlarged updated Splash Pad at McFee Park. It may be open through the last weekend in September weather permitting. She said that its operation is a learning process for the staff and they are working with the company regarding minor issues and tweaking some functions that should be resolved soon.

She also informed the Council that the second artificial turf field was opened last Saturday at Mayor Bob Leonard Park and it has already seen a great deal of use. Those fields are extremely busy. We have also received a \$500,000 grant from the state that comes with rules and timetables and should be received in January 2017. They will proceed with the design and planning for the third field there.

Sue also discussed the McFee Park project and that a consultant will be chosen soon, and review of the current plan (from April 2012) will proceed. Input from the community will be gathered from public hearings. The consultant will then present an updated plan based on surveys, hearings, etc. After review by the Town staff and the Council it will go before BOMA for their approval. Following approval, construction plans will be drawn up. FY 2017 will be busy with drawings, and planning. FY 2018 should see some construction begin and will include much of the infrastructure the Park will require. This will be done in phases. We now have a total of 52 acres there with slightly over 25% presently developed.

A Council visit to McFee Park to view the land and walk the grounds to better acquaint the group with the size and scope of the project will be September 22 at 5:30 where we will meet at the house in the back part of the property.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25