



Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, May 16, 2019
7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Claudia Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Chairman Claudia Smith

ROLL CALL - Secretary Janet Eckermann

APPROVE MINUTES

1. CAC 05.02.19

COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

AGENDA

2. New Committee Members

Issue:

For CAC discussion is the welcoming of new committee members.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

3. New Mini Library Location Update

Issue:

For CAC discussion is new locations for the mini libraries.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

4. PR Employee Ice Cream Social Date and Details

Issue:

For CAC discussion is a date and details for an ice cream social for City employees.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

5. Update on Fire Station Open House

Issue:

For CAC discussion is an update on the open house to be held at the City Fire Station.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

6. Update on July 6th Celebration

Issue:

For CAC discussion is an update on the City's July 6th Celebration.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

7. Hurricane Information from City

Issue:

For CAC consideration is a discussion on hurricane information.

Action:

CAC action as deemed appropriate.

OLD BUSINESS

LONG TERM GOALS

- George T Cook Park dedicated as Veteran's Memorial Park
- Updating kiosk at Waterfront Park for native fish and birds
- Future Citizens Meet and Greet
- Ongoing cleanup areas to be identified by committee members (Nicks Park – June 15)
- Yearly blood drive and free medical screening for citizens at City Hall
- Kayak launch at Brasher Park

ADJOURN

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Claudia Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Chairman Claudia Smith

ROLL CALL – Secretary Janet Eckermann

Present: Chairman Claudia Smith, Secretary Janet Eckermann, Member Lisa Burke, Council Liaison Jennie Sorrell

Not Present: Member Janet Slusarz, Member Tom Kinsella, Vice Chairman Laurie Simpson

APPROVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

1. CAC 04.18.19

A motion was made by Chairwoman Smith for approval of 4.18.19 minutes.

The motion was seconded by Council Liaison Sorrell.

Voting Yea: Chairwoman Smith, Secretary Eckermann, Council Liaison Sorrell, and Member Burke

COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Bill Colombo - 7810 Chasco Street: Suggested that the committee exercise prudence regarding the expenditure of any funds remaining from donations to the "Appreciation Luncheon", which took place on 4.25.19 in honor of City Employees.

Linda Rodriguez - 5917 Lantern Court: She offered her opinion that as long as the remaining funds were used to the benefit of City Employees, the funds would in fact, be used as they were intended.

Sherry Maklary - 8731 Betty Street: She inquired how a citizen would qualify for or otherwise be considered to become a member of the CAC.

Greg Smithwick - 4824 Limestone Drive: He inquired when the CAC will conduct cleanups in and around the City. He offered his help and stated that he would like to participate in future cleanups.

Captain Thomas Quinn - Port Richey Fire Department: Thanked the CAC for their support and the "Appreciation Luncheon". He announced that the Port Richey Fire Department is currently organizing an "Open House" in effort to reach out to the community and children regarding "Fire Safety and Prevention". He stated that the objectives are to educate, highlight the departments' responsibilities, pursue fire prevention and safety, reach out to other agencies for involvement, and welcomed the CAC to participate in the community outreach.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There was a general discussion by committee members. All members agreed that the "Appreciation Luncheon" was successful and a positive experience for City employees. Chairwoman Smith accounted for remaining funds donated that were not used. A discussion ensued regarding the use of the funds for employee benefit. Chairwoman Smith suggested using the funds toward an "Ice Cream Social" for City employees and suggested that topic under agenda item three (3).

It was suggested that a letter of appreciation be written to vendors and those who contributed toward the successful City employee luncheon. Secretary Eckermann agreed to write a letter of appreciation to vendors.

The general discussion also included the CAC's role in the Open House, hosted by the Fire Department. Member Burke suggested our assistance with advertising the event. Chairwoman Smith suggested our involvement in cooking hotdogs or direct traffic in effort to allow the Fire Department to concentrate on the event activities.

A motion was made by Council Liaison Sorrell for the CAC to participate in the Port Richey Fire Department "Open House" and "Community Outreach".

The motion was seconded by Secretary Member Eckermann.

Voting Yea: Chairwoman Smith, Secretary Member Eckermann, Council Member Sorrell, and Member Burke

AGENDA

2. Mini Free Library Progression

Chairwoman Smith discussed the need to obtain City Council approval for the mini free libraries locations and include maps to the exact placement of each. Secretary Member Eckermann stated that two are in the process of being built, one library for Waterfront and another for dedication and placement of a library at Oelsner Park. Chairman Smith stated that she would discuss the locations and obtain Council approval, if possible, at a future Council meeting.

3. Employee Appreciation Luncheon

Due to the success of the "Employee Appreciation Luncheon", it was determined that remaining funds should rightfully go to the enjoyment of the City employee's in the form of an "Ice Cream Social".

A motion was made by Secretary Eckermann for committee approval of an "Ice Cream Social" for City employee's and the use of remaining donations to fund the event.

The motion seconded by Council Liaison Sorrell.

Voting Yea: Chairwoman Smith, Secretary Member Eckermann, Member Burke Sorrell

4. Citizens Meet and Greet

Chairwoman Smith discussed that she had notified Sun Coast News for coverage on the date and time of the "Meet and Greet" hosted by the CAC. It was stated that it is a nonpolitical engagement of the community. Chairwoman Smith stated that it would be held at Whiskey River on May 15th, 2019 from 5:30PM to 7:00PM.

A general discussion of the committee was had regarding the use of advertisements, flyers, and online promotion for the event. Member Burke agreed that promoting it online would reach a higher percentage of people.

5. Update on July 4th Event

A general discussion amongst members of the committee involved how the committee could benefit the City of Port Richey in their July 4th festivities. The event will be held on Saturday July 6th due to the 4th being on a Thursday.

The general discussion involved how the CAC might help with promotion of the event and a before and after cleanup of Waterfront Park.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Secretary Member Eckermann to adjourn the 5.02.19 Community Advisory Committee meeting.

The motion was seconded by Council Liaison Jennie Sorrell.

Voting Yea: Chairwoman Smith, Member Burke, Secretary Member Eckermann, and Council Liaison Sorrell.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

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