

ORDINANCE NO. 018 -1983

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION; PROVIDING FOR THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF SAID BOARD AND HOW THEY SHALL BECOME APPOINTED; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS AND FOR THE PROCEDURE FOR ORGANIZATION OF SAID BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF SAID BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEETINGS OF SAID BOARD AND THE FREQUENCY OF SAID MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR LIAISON BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY OF THE VARIOUS SECTIONS OF SAID ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING THAT SAID ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME PART OF THE CODE OF MONROE COUNTY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Monroe County is recognized nationally as a recreation area with outstanding natural resources for fishing, diving and other outdoor activities, and

WHEREAS, residents and visitors to Monroe County need facilities for team sports, outdoor social and civic affairs, and other recreational pursuits which the Keys' climate allows year round, and

WHEREAS, the County in its Keys' acreage includes considerable Federal and State preserves and parks as well as County facilities, and

WHEREAS, certain areas in Monroe County have already been designated and created into parks, and

WHEREAS, there is no Board or Commission that has advisory responsibility of said park or contemplative park areas, now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

1. That there be created in Monroe County a Board to be known as the Monroe County Board of Parks and Recreation.

2. That said Board shall consist of five members, one member of which shall be appointed by each of the County Commissioners, all of which shall be residents of Monroe County.

3. The term of office for each member of this Board upon appointment shall be declared to be four (4) years. However,

the initial appointments of the five (5) members shall be as follows: Commissioners from Districts 1, 3 and 5 shall each appoint one member to said Board, whose appointments shall be until January 1, 1985; Commissioners from Districts 2 and 4 shall each appoint one member, whose appointments shall be until January 1, 1987. All appointments after January 1, 1985 shall be for a period of four (4) years and shall be rotated in accordance with these staggered terms. Initial appointments shall be made of the three (3) short-term members on the 1st day of _____, A.D. 198~~4~~, and it is herein provided that the long-term members for two (2) years shall expire on the day of _____, A.D. 1985, and all subsequent appointments to said Board shall be in accordance with these staggered terms. It shall be the duty of the County Administrator upon the passing of this Ordinance to select and designate in writing, a County employee to act as a liaison with the County Administration. The designee's duty shall be to meet with this Board and through the County Administrator's Office, make arrangements for any and all aid and assistance that can be given to this Board in the performance of its duties. The County liaison member will be a non-voting member of the Board.

4. That the aforesaid Board at its first meeting shall duly organize itself by electing one of its members as the Chairman; one of its members as the Vice-Chairman and one of its members as Secretary. That the terms of the officers so elected shall be for one year and the election of new officers shall occur at the first regular meeting called by the Board after the selection of new members as provided for herein.

5. It shall be the duty of the Monroe County Board of Parks and Recreation to:

A. Periodically review the facilities, programs, management, costs, the expenditures for maintenance of said parks, and for all revenues and funding

relative to the parks program in this County for the present existing facilities.

B. Cooperate with other recognized and approved County Recreational groups. i.e. Florida Keys Conservation and Recreational Council, the Athletic Associations, etc.

C. From time to time, the Board created herein shall make recommendations to the County Commission for any and all improvements that are deemed necessary and appropriate. As part of the duties of this Board, the same should study and from time to time, make recommendations for additional facilities and park recreational areas and the programs to be connected therewith.

6. It shall be the duty of the Board to:

A. Meet at least once each quarter of each year, giving public notice of the meeting, and encouraging public input.

B. Provide to the County Commission of Monroe County a report at least quarterly (Feb, May, August, Nov) of each year describing its activities and or recommendations.

C. Should any one member miss as many as three consecutive meetings whether regular meetings or special meetings, that person will be automatically disqualified as a member hereof and the County Commissioner whose appointee this person represents shall immediately appoint a successor for the balance of the unexpired term of the vacant seat on said Board. It is provided in this Ordinance that the members of this Board shall be reimbursed only for automobile mileage to attend meetings of the Board, but that no fee for compensation other than mileage shall be forthcoming or reimbursed.

7. Funding and service to this Board shall be included in the Public Works Department budget.

8. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

9. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of said conflict.

10. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be included and incorporated in the Code of Ordinances of the County of Monroe, Florida, as an addition or amendment thereto, and shall be appropriately renumbered to conform to the uniform numbering system of the Code.

11. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon receipt of official notice from the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida that this Ordinance has been filed with said Office.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By Jerry Hernandez, Jr.
Mayor/Chairman

(SEAL)

Attest: **RALPH W. WHITE, CLERK**

by Virginia M. Pinder, D.E.
Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY.
BY Andrew Troby
Attorney's Office

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSIDER
ADOPTION OF COUNTY ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN that on Friday, July 22, 1983, at 10:00 A.M. at the Marathon Sub-Courthouse, Marathon, Monroe County, Florida, and on Friday, August 5, 1983, at 10:00 A.M. in Courtroom B, Monroe County Courthouse Annex, 500 Whitehead Street, Key West, Monroe County, Florida, and on Friday, August 19, 1983, at 10:00 A.M. at the Plantation Key Governmental Center, Plantation Key, Monroe County, Florida, the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, intends to consider the adoption of the following County Ordinance:

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DATED at Key West, Florida, this 20th day of June, A.D. 1983.

RALPH W. WHITE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Monroe County, Florida
and ex officio Clerk of the
Board of County Commissioners
of Monroe County, Florida

(SEAL)