

Regular meeting of the Parks and Recreational Advisory board (PRB)

Minutes – April 11, 2011

BPK Community Park – Big Pine Key

Present:

Steve Miller, Chairperson
Diane Beruldsen
Dr. Jim Boilini, PRB Member
Bob Mock, PRB Member
Christine Tejera, PRB Member

Absent:

John King, Facilities Management, Lower Keys
Joe Medallion, Director, Upper Keys Operation

Staff:

Kathy Grasser, Monroe County Planning Dept.
Townsley Schwab, Monroe County Growth Management
Rosa Washington, Monroe County Liaison
Kevin Wilson, Monroe County Growth Management

Community:

Marc Dubin, resident of Big Pine

Meeting

Call to Order : Steve Miller

Self-Introductions

Minutes of 1-10-11 approved as written (motion to approve by Ms. Tejera and seconded by Ms. Beruldsen).

Presentation by Monroe County Growth Management as it relates to serve level for Parks and Recreation in the County (see attached).

During the presentation Marc Dubin asked to speak regarding Monroe County's ADA compliance, and what recreational facilities are available to individuals with disabilities. Mr. Dubin's comments were a bit lengthy. Both Ms. Beruldsen and Mr. Miller suggested that Mr. Dubin get together with staff and bring back more information to future meetings.

Mr. Dubin also made the suggestion that the County consider signage at public parks regarding service dogs. Suggested signage language: "Service Dogs Welcome."

Ms. Beruldsen made a motion to include in future agenda an item to discuss ADA issues. This was seconded by Dr. Boilini.

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Dr. Bollini suggested that Growth Management ask the consultants to take an inventory of:

1. ADA compliant parks in unincorporated Monroe County.
2. Which parks are compliant? If not, why not?

Dr. Bollini made a brief motion/presentation to the Board regarding planting a tree (Golden Trumpet) at Key Largo Park in memory of Charlie Augustus. Board unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10pm