



Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Board

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July 18, 2024

A regular meeting of the Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Board was held on the above date at 5:30 PM at the Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Office, 310 Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida.

City Commissioner/Chairman, Daniel Akin, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Opening Prayer was led by County Commissioner Mitchell Wills.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were School Board Member Paul Samerdyke, City Commissioner/Chairman Daniel Akin, County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard, County Commissioner Mitchell Wills, City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt, and Director Steven Lynn.

Bids: A bid was made for the wells at rodeo grounds. A motion was made by County Commissioner Mitchell Wills to go with the local company, Crumb’s Well Drilling for \$7,120.00, County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard seconded, all in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Approval of June 20, 2024, Minutes and bills:

BOBBIE SPRATT
City Commissioner

PAUL SAMERDYKE
School Board Member

DANIEL AKIN
City Commissioner/Chairman

MITCHELL WILLS
County Commissioner

EMORY “ROWDY” HOWARD
County Commissioner

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City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. School Board Member Paul Samerdyke Seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Awards, Appearances, and Presentations: None.

Correspondence (FYI): None.

Staff Reports: The fire lane project at the boat ramp is scheduled to be completed on July 22, 2024. The Putting Green at the rodeo grounds is finished.

Hearing of the public: Dessie Thomas aimed to improve Ford Sunset Parks. Among her proposals were installing benches near the playground and increasing the number of picnic tables at Alton Jones Park. Director Lynn supported these ideas. Additionally, she suggested renovations for Joe Cullivers Park, including paving and expanding parking spaces. County Commissioner Mitchell Wills will let the city know during the area's upcoming repaving. Director Lynn also said he will seek grants to assist with the park's upgrades.

Reports and other Business: None.

Agenda Additions: Director Lynn presented a presentation on Forrey Parks conceptual plan, County Commissioner Mitchell Wills made the motion to approve, and City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt seconded, all in favor, motion passed unanimously. Director Lynn asked for permission to commence additional projects at Forrey Park once the construction of the three baseball fields is completed, provided that sufficient funds remain available, County Commissioner Mitchell Wills made the motion to approve, seconded by School Board Member Paul Samerdyke. All in favor, motion passed unanimously. County Commissioner Mitchell Wills initiated a discussion about constructing a splash pad for children, but the conversation was postponed until a future meeting.

Motion for meeting to adjourn was made by County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard and seconded by School Board Member Paul Samerdyke. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Akin adjourned the meeting. The meeting was dismissed at 6:43 p.m.

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