**Town of Windermere**

**Parks and Recreation Committee**

**Proposed Meeting Minutes**

**March 9, 2023**

Members Present: Nora Brophy, Doug Bowman, Tracy Mitchell, Pacho Sierra, Jill Ata

Others Present: Tonya Elliott-Moore, Mandy David

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Nora Brophy based on a quorum present to conduct business.

Business Agenda

Open Forum

A. No public attended for open forum comments.

Old Business/Items

Parks & Events Updates

A. 21st Annual UMC Run Among the Lakes – Nora indicated that one of the immediate goals is to develop a 5K Run basic logo from initial concepts. She also indicated she is reviewing new long sleeve t-shirt designs using a new style. Nora also mentioned that that Orlando Health has 1 year remaining on its existing presenting sponsor agreement. Presenting sponsor agreements have typically been for 5 years.

B. Petfest – Nora made special mention of Dena O’Malley and Sue Anne Reichard for their successful efforts at bringing in new sponsors. The event was profitable and brought in a gross revenue total of over $17,000. The committee congratulated Nora for a well run and very well received event.

C. Tennis/Pickleball – The committee discussed the perception that non-resident pro squatting on the tennis courts had increased lately. Nora mentioned that there is a request for Town Police to start reviewing court keys. Also, Doug announced that MG Tennis had turned in their 2022 commission check to the town for $1,224. Doug noted that the check was lower due to the fact that the kid’s program was displaced from WRC several months due to the hurricane damage.

The pickleball equipment discussed during the February meeting will need to be ordered. Tonya mentioned that equipment will be ordered as soon as possible.

D. Parks – Tonya indicated that FEMA had given approval for some replacements at Lake Down Park. At this point, the town is waiting on quotes to come back. Tonya also noted that there is significant damage to the dock and that will take longer to repair/replace.

On Palmer Park, purchase order have been sent over to proceed for replacements.

E. Membership – Nora mentioned that she is checking with Cindy Hunter about her officer and member status. She has been a great help as Treasurer the last few years.

New Business/Items

A. Town Centennial Celebration 2025 – Council Member Andy Williams asked for a volunteer PR member to be on this steering committee. Tracy Mitchell agreed to represent PR on this new committee.

B. Meeting Minutes – A motion was made and seconded to approve the February 29, 2023 meeting minutes.

C. Liaison Mandy David – Council Member Mandy David brought up an Orlando Soccer franchise request to hold a kid’s event in town. The committee discussed the lack of an open space to host this. Mandy indicated she would call the organization back. She also indicated that there are 2 more Town Square pavilion workshops slated for the coming months.

C. Public Works, Tonya Elliott-Moore – Tonya covered several items of business. She is working on getting pickleball equipment quotes for Main Street. She also noted that several benches in the parks need replacement, and she will send a list for each area. Tonya also referenced her contact at the Univ of Florida Professor about a town recreation survey, and to review discussion with them.

D. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 13th at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall.