



Village of Biscayne Park

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MINUTES Ecology Board

Ed Burke Recreation Center
11400 NE 9th Court, Biscayne Park, FL

July 21, 2014

- 1. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call** - Carmen DeBernardi, Tom Pliske, Richie Strassberg, Luca Bronzi.
- 3. Additions, deletions and withdrawals** - None.
- 4. Approval of Minutes** - The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
- 5. New Business** - The Board was advised that Commissioner Jonas has brought up the idea of merging the Ecology Board with the Parks and Parkway Advisory Board. Upon consideration of the idea, the Ecology Board concluded that it would like to maintain its own voice insofar as it has distinct viewpoints and perspectives from those of the Parks and Parkway Advisory Board.
- 6. Old Business** - The Board discussed the Shredding Event with Police Chief Cornelius McKenna and Village Clerk Maria Camara. It is anticipated that 75 to 100 boxes of documents will be shredded at the event. Miami Shores organized a similar event with the assistance of Iron Mountain, who provided the necessary equipment. A motion was made and approved for Richie Strassberg to contact Iron Mountain as to what dates it will be available to assist, and for Richie to organize the event in conjunction with the Village Police Department.

The Public Works Department advised that the Village's vegetation chipper no longer functions and that current finances prohibit making the necessary repairs. When the budget allows, the Board will look into making the repairs or purchasing a chipper for residential and public area mulching.

Once the shredding event is completed, the Board will start planning a native plant sale. In the meantime, Tom Pliske will make calls about sourcing the plants.

7. **Public Comments** - None.

8. **Announcements** - The next meeting will take place on Monday, August 18, 6:30 p.m. at the recreation center.

9. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at: 7:02

Minutes taken by Luca Bronzi

Minutes approved by: _____

On this _____ day of _____, 2014