



Village of Biscayne Park

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PARKS AND PARKWAYS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES APPROVED

**October 16, 2013 at 6:00 PM
Ed Burke Recreation Center
11400 NE 9th Court**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present - **Dan Keys, Barbara Kuhl, Robert Silverman, Steve Bernard**

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (PERMITTED FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM)

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

May 16, 2012 - **not available**

July 18, 2012 - **not available**

August 29, 2012 - **not available**

September 19, 2012 - **not available**

September 18, 2013 - **Passed unanimously**

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Village staff status report

1. General median maintenance - **Progress report by Candido Sosa-Cruz**

2. Tree removal and tree trimming issues - **Progress report by Candido Sosa-Cruz**

3. Athletic field turf maintenance - **Long acting fertilizer to be used every 2 months.**

The last month has had little use, and field is in better condition. Discussion regarding a possible Village Resolution to limit usage, with a balance between Resident usage and costs for non-Residents

4. Athletic field irrigation system maintenance - **Progress report by Candido Sosa-Cruz, rain sensors do not work well, will not be activated until corrected. Not necessary with dry season coming up.**

5. Preventing cars from crossing medians - **not discussed**

6. Highway Beautification Grant Proposal made by Village - **Progress report by Candido Sosa-Cruz regarded last year's \$2500 matching grant, work to be done by March 2014,**

B. Entrance projects

6 th Ave. Bridge Grant, Northern border - NE 10 Ave, NE 8th Ave. etc.

Progress report by Candido Sosa-Cruz included the possibility of using some grant money for Landscape Architect for a unified appearance at all entrances

C. Plant identification markers for the Rec. Center

Progress report by Barbara Kuhl and Dan Keys

D. Tree removal list for medians

1. Oaks - Candido stated that the Contractor is willing to provide new 18-20' tall trees (approx \$350 each) in lieu of relocation for oaks #1 to 5 on 10th Ave between 11122 & 11220, at 647 NE 114 St, and at 10831 NE 8 Ct, as he could not provide a warranty for relocated trees. New trees shall be watered and maintained by Contractor until thriving. OPTION #1 is to proceed with removals per recommendation. OPTION #2 is to keep some of the poor condition trees in hopes it will thrive, possibly with extra attention of watering, fertilizer, etc. OPTION #3 is to remove and place new trees with better spacing. Board members shall view existing conditions and be prepared to vote on Options at next meeting

2. Existing mahogany in conflict with new (about 2 years) oak on 114th Street:

a. **Candido stated that the arborist considers mahogany a beautiful tree**

b. **Dan Keys stated mahogany was not part of the theme for the median that had been developed by the Village with the assistance of the Board and prefers it be relocated as originally planned several years ago**

c. **Barbara Kuhl stated that it could be expensive to move, and may be lost if we attempt relocation, and that it may also have been installed as a memorial.**

d. **Board members shall view existing conditions at the sites of the trees discussed at this meeting and be prepared to vote on the disposition of them at the November meeting**

6. NEW BUSINESS

None

7. NEXT MEETING DATE –

11/20/13

8. ADJOURNMENT