

**Town of Southwest Ranches**  
**Recreation, Forestry and Natural Resources**  
**Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday

Town Hall

March 13<sup>th</sup> 2018

13400 Griffin Road

7:00 P.M.

Southwest Ranches, FL 33330

**RFNRAB Members Present:**

Christina Brownlow

MaryGay Chaples

Debbie Green

Nancy Hartmann

Aster Knight

Marie Nix

**RFNRAB Members Absent:**

Lana Eichel

Debra Goff-Rose

John Herring

Karen Parkerson

**Guests**

Bob Hartmann

**Council Present:**

Gary Jablonski

**Staff Present:**

December Lauretano-Haines

Call to order at 7:00 P.M. A quorum was established.

Marie Nix made a motion to excuse the absence of the members listed above. Aster Knight seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Aster Knight made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2018 meeting. Nancy Hartmann seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris Brownlow made a motion that a plaque be added to the Rolling Oaks Barn in order to commemorate the Board's role in preserving and renovating the facility. Debbie Green seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Staff reviewed the monthly maintenance report and agenda listings.

The members present discussed park development priorities and agreed to recommend these remain as they were ranked last year.

Discussion Items:

- The Chair requested a budget goal of \$15,000 for removal of invasive exotics at Country Estates Park. Staff stated that the cost of maintaining the current three acres of wetlands is \$595 per month. Budgeting would also have to include ongoing maintenance costs.
- Solar lights have been purchased for Rolling Oaks Barn. The Chair discussed cleaning the pond at the Barn (silt and exotics removal). This will be on hold until the future...there are no complaints regarding the condition of the pond.
- There will only be \$50,000 available for Frontier Trails (no FRDAP this year). The SWR Parks Foundation is giving \$30,000 to assist in completing this year's goal of initiating development.
- Staff will address problems on 163<sup>rd</sup> concerning fallen trees.
- Country Estates residents were happy to have been contacted regarding concerns over safety near the drainage area.
- Trailside Park will be incorporating the Rural Arts Board design plan for park projects.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.