

The March 20, 2025 meeting of the Rainbow Lakes Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Dallas Seveland. Other committee members present were Kathy Bryant, John Conner, Allen McKay and Dan Wilshusen. Guest present Katy Burton, Municipal Services Community Manager. There were 11 people in attendance. The meeting was opened with invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item Public Comment (1):

Approval of Minutes (2A) February 20, 2025:

Motion made by Wilshusen, seconded by McKay to accept minutes February 20, 2025 (2A). Motion carried.

Committee Reports (3):

Building & Grounds: Nothing to report.

Code: Vacant.

Levy County: Wilshusen reported no new updates from code enforcement. No new updates for rough roads that I am monitoring as it relates to new home builds.

Public Safety: McKay reported no fire and rescue incidents were not available. Received information from Kevin Marques regarding the traffic signal installation and potential interference with our signs and new landscaping. Per Kevin Marques "we should not have any conflicts with your RLE entrance, strongly recommend waiting for new landscaping until after traffic signal is installed. Installing traffic signal is highly disruptive." McKay asked if there is any database or log kept of road issues available to the public. I have reviewed output from the database and it indeed is logged however no apparent ability to denote when and if something was completed. McKay stated he spoke with Pete Hodges and Zachery Jacobsen regarding the conditions of Marine Blvd. Hodges advised this was repaved about 15 years ago and pass on the concern to the engineer. Reviewed the list of paving and road work for this year.

Recreation: Bryant reviewed recreation programs, clubs and events.

Roads: Vacant.

Staff Report (3B) Burton reviewed program attendance numbers, expense and revenue summary for RLE General Government, RLE Recreation, RLE Road and Street, work orders and rentals booked YTD.

Committees/Guests (4):

Katy Burton, Municipal Services Community Manager – Burton stated we have part time starting the 24th and full-time recreation position has been reposted. Starting April 1st, the District Office will be open on Wednesday and Fridays from 9:00am to 6:00pm. RISK we passed inspections. Wilshusen asked do we have the fire inspection report yet. Burton responded we don't have those official numbers yet. Seveland asked why it takes two (2) to three (3) weeks to get a Fitness Center membership. Burton responded the software is on main computer. Next budget we will have a new computer and that computer will be a kiosk mainly for the Fitness Center.

Old Business (6):

(6A) Clubhouse Renovation/ Relief Center – Seveland stated any progress report on renovations. We will not be discussing designating the RLE Clubhouse as a hurricane relief center until renovations are complete. McKay stated Clubhouse renovation will have to be scaled back due to bids coming in higher than we budgeted. Burton responded I will get the new revised numbers back to you.

(6B) 5 – year plan workshop - Burton stated that the 5-year plan is still in the works waiting on one (1) contract to give us a realistic budget for the buildings. We will present those numbers, Fire occupancy numbers for each building along with the assessments that were done.

(6C) Boat Ramp Fees – Burton stated heard a little about it or from legal on their recommendations or advice. Burton stated that the fee's and violations are written in the ordinance. Wilshusen responded it should mimic the county fees. Discussion followed. Seveland asked Burton to check into the rumors going around that seven thousand (7,000) homes that are going to built at the south of RLE connecting to the dead-end roads on the south, we need consider that all our lakes and parks are going to be used by theses people will have full access but pay nothing. Burton responded nothing confirmed. Discussion followed.

(6D) Levy County Recreation Fees – Seveland stated the board had requested moving forward with assessing Levy County RLE residents the recreation fees that currently only Marion County RLE residents pay. Burton responded no update still in conversation this can be a long-term project. We can keep it as old business. Discussion followed.

New business/ Board items (7):

(7A) Youth Center Fees – Seveland stated the Youth Center has been open since 2018 and no increase has occurred since the initial opening. My proposal is we should increase the fees to ten dollars (\$10.00) for resident children, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) non-resident children. Eliminate fees for all parents who wish to spend time in the Youth Center with their children. Lower the parental attendance requirement from twelve (12) to ten (10) years of age. Discussion followed. Motion made by Bryant, seconded by McKay, to increase Youth Center fees to ten-dollar (\$10.00) for resident children, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) to non-resident children and eliminate all parent fee's, lower the parental attendance requirements from twelve (12) to ten (10) years of age of a child. Motion carried. Burton responded I will take your recommendations back the Chad Wicker. I will say with the age requirements I will have to check into that not trying to overload the Recreation Leader.

General Public Comment (8):

Announcement (9):

RLE Meet & Eat Dinner Friday, March 21,2025 from 6PM to 9PM. Resident's only event with proof of residency. In the Community Center.

Advisory Board meeting Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 6:30PM in the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.