City of Pensacola

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

MINUTES

City of Pensacola
222 W. Main Street
Pensacola, FL
32502

August 19, 2025	10:00 AM	Hagler-Mason, 2nd Floor

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Borden called the board meeting to order at 10:00 am.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:	Michael Blankenship, Renee Borden, Daniel Brask, Justine Roper Williams, Suzanne Lewis, Shirley Lewis-Brown, Kirwan Price
Members Absent:	Krisitn Brown, Bradley Boes

1. 25-995 SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Assistant City Clerk, Robyn Tice, was present to administer the oath and swear in the new board member. The new member was Daniel Brask.

OPEN FORUM

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. 25-996 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES DATED JULY 15, 2025

A motion was made by Board Member Price and seconded by Board Member Lewis.

The motion by the following vote:

Yes: 6	Renee Borden, Michael Blankenship, Justine Roper Williams, Suzanne Lewis, Kirwan Price, Daniel Brask
No: 0	None

NEW BUSINESS

3. 25-1081 OSCEOLA GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT/EVENT SPACE LEASE SECOND REVIEW

Ryan Mattox and Michael Carro approached the board.

Mattox stated that one of the questions they followed up on from the previous July meeting was the performance evaluations of the tenant. Mattox stated that a QR code will be used to allow the golfers to give feedback, and vote between one and five stars with a goal of a 3.5 average to start off.

Interim Director Shanaghan mentioned to Mattox to speak about the common area shown in the exhibit. Mattox responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden inquired if this new exhibit information is supposed to be attached to the lease. Mattox stated that was correct.

Chairperson Borden inquired if the lease that was posted was the same as the information that was brought before them. City Attorney Adam Cobb responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden brought up the concerns that were mentioned in the previous July meeting, regarding the upkeep and maintenance of the common/shared areas. Cobb responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden also inquired that the lease was not connected to the performance review Mattox spoke about. Mattox responded by stating that it was correct, the two are separate.

Chairperson Borden also inquired if the inventory list consists of current equipment that the city will be turning over to the new tenant. Mattox stated that was correct.

Board Member Lewis inquired if the new tenant would be owning the equipment listed. Mattox responded stating they would not own it, just maintain it.

Board Member Lewis inquired if that information was stated in the lease. Cobb stated that was correct.

A motion to forward the lease to the City Council was made and approved by the Parks and Recreation Board.

4. 25-993 PENSACOLA YOUTH SOCCER AGREEMENT

Interim Director Shanaghan stated this item will have to be presented at next month's meeting, due to the individual who is over the association experiencing family-related medical issues.

5. 25-994 TIME CAPSULE COMMEMORATION PROJECT PROPOSAL

Ben Findley, Sons of the American Revolution, and Dyan Carpenter, Daughters of the American Revolution, brought before the board a presentation of their America's 250th Anniversary Time Capsule proposal.

Board Member Lewis inquired about the height of the plaque marking the area of the time capsule. Findley responded accordingly.

Board Member Price inquired if the park was owned by the city and if the Veteran's Memorial Park Association just managed it. Interim Director Shanaghan responded accordingly.

Board Member Brask inquired if there would be any future additional needs for the monument. Findley stated no additions would be required.

Board Member Roper-Williams commented about receiving a better understanding of the intent and purpose behind the capsule itself, to ensure that no one was excluded. Findley responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden inquired if the city was planning to have any activities in conjunction with the 250th anniversary. Board Member Lewis and Interim Director Shanaghan responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

Addie Quina, a member of the public, inquired if citizens could provide things to be included or are the items limited to just the organization. Findley responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

A motion to pass this proposal to the City Council was made and approved by the Paks and Recreation Board.

6. 25-1093 UPWARD INTUITION - SKATE SPOT

Jon Shell, Allen Lewis, and Andy Prince, members of Upward Intuition, brought before the board a presentation for Skate Spot+.

Shell wrote a letter to the board and read it aloud.

Chairperson Borden inquired about the square footage the plans are based off of. Lewis responded accordingly.

Board Member Lewis inquired about the public outreach in the East Hill area and the feedback that was given. Lewis and Shell responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

John Mathis, a member of the public, approached the board to give his opinion on the matter. Shell responded accordingly.

Board Member Lewis-Brown suggested looking into areas and parks that have more green space and are easy to walk to. A discussion ensued.

Another member of the public approached the board with information she researched regarding the amount of square footage a city needs to give for a skate park. A discussion ensued.

Chairperson Borden inquired if Upward Intuition had taken any surveys to determine the range of areas where the interested children are coming from. Shell responded accordingly.

Jennifer Yannuzzi, a member of the public, approached the board to give her opinion on the matter.

Board Member Brask inquired why the board could not give the blessing to Upward Intuition to work with the Parks and Recreation staff more to come up with a definitive plan and location before the board could make a decision on the matter. Chairperson Borden responded accordingly.

Board Member Brask mentioned having to entertain the idea of the financial aspect and the opportunities to enhance our parks by partnering with private organizations. Chairperson Borden responded accordingly.

Sue Saffran, a member of the public, approached the board to give her opinion on the matter.

STAFF REPORTS

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

7. 25-1089 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chairperson Borden inquired about the Bay Bluffs project. Interim Director Shanaghan responded accordingly.

OLD BUSINESS

8. 25-1037 DIRECTION '25

Interim Director Shanghan mentioned the Sanders Beach Kayak Launch & Park Revitalization went to council at the last meeting and the bid was accepted.

Interim Director Shanghan also gave an update on the Miraflores Boy Scout Building.

Chairperson Borden inquired if Miraflores Park had been designated as a cemetery. Interim Director Shanghan responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

9. 25-1039 GRANADA SUBDIVISION PARK

Chairperson Borden inquired if Board Member Blankenship was able to revisit the neighborhood association regarding the park. Board Member Blankenship responded accordingly.

OPEN FORUM

Interim Director Shanghan announced that his job position is open to hire for a permanent director.

Board Member Lewis inquired how guidelines could be given to private groups who want to enter into an agreement with the Parks and Recreation department and what the guidelines would be. Interim Director Shanghan responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

WHEREUPON the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

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