

MINUTES

City of Key Colony Beach Recreation Committee

Thursday, March 12th, 2026 – 3:30 PM
Marble Hall, 600 W. Ocean Drive & Via Zoom Conferencing

- 1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL:** The Key Colony Beach Recreation Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Cindy Catto at 3:30 PM, followed by Rollcall. **Present:** Chair Cindy Catto, Judy Burgett, Aleta Williamson, Frank Tremblay, David Evangelista. **Also present:** Mayor Freddie Foster, City Administrator John Bartus, Administrative Assistant Par Darnall, City Clerk Silvia Roussin, City Commission Kirk Diehl, Commissioner Tom Harding.
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** (Additions, changes, and deletions can be made via one motion and a second to approve by majority vote)

Chair Catto asked for any changes to the agenda. City Clerk Roussin stated that the only addition was the Mini Library addendum, which was shared with the Committee in the morning. There were no other changes, and Chair Catto asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addition.

MOTION: Motion made by Judy Burgett. Aleta Williamson seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** 02-12-2026 Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Chair Catto asked for a correction to the minutes. Judy Burgett informed everyone of a scribes' error in the misspelling of a name. City Clerk Roussin confirmed that the correction would be made. Chair Catto asked for a motion to approve.

MOTION: Motion made by Aleta Williamson to approve the minutes. David Evangelista seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

- 4. CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:** None.
- 5. CHAIR REPORT:** Chair Catto reviewed Committee recommendations from the February meeting and the decisions made at the subsequent Commission gathering. Chair Catto provided additional comments on the improvements Golf Course Manager Daryl Rice implemented on the course and highlighted the need for website updates to the Recreation Committee and activities page. David Evangelista asked about the status of the furniture, and Commissioner Harding explained that more durable, low-maintenance furniture options are being selected and that they are waiting for a final invoice.
- 6. REQUEST(S) FOR NEW RECREATION-RELATED PROJECT:** No new requests were received.
- 7. COMMITTEE PRIORITY IMPROVEMENT LIST:** Chair Catto discussed the listed projects, including ongoing, completed, and tabled projects. The Committee had no questions.

8. **BUDGET REPORT - February 2026:** Judy Burgett gave the budget report for February and reported no new expenses.
9. **GRANT UPDATES:** City Administrator Bartus reported that the FRDAP grants have been approved to move forward to the next funding phase, with the final budget still pending. He also confirmed that the funds will be allocated to the 7th and 8th Street restrooms for the upcoming fiscal year.

Chair Catto asked the Committee to consider budget needs for the next year.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORT

- a. **Tennis:** Aleta Williamson reported that tennis activities are ongoing and that the Committee is looking forward to the completion of the basketball court. She mentioned that several windscreens are damaged and that a tennis net is torn. Mayor Foster indicated that a replacement net might be in stock and asked for an update on the previously reported damage to the poles. David Evangelista stated that, to his understanding, the contractor had returned to make repairs, though it remains unclear whether the poles are straight or the interior sleeves are leaning. He also provided further comments on how to properly examine the poles. Aleta Williamson provided additional details on the location of the damaged windscreens and the temporary repairs made. The Committee discussed budget considerations for replacement and the possibility of checking older windscreens in storage for size to potentially reuse.
- b. **Golf:** Chair Catto reported that the ladies' league is doing well, with one week remaining in the season, and noted strong participation and overall enjoyment. David Evangelista reported that turnout for the men's group varies; however, participation remains strong, the course is very full, and a tournament is scheduled for Saturday.
- c. **Bocce/Horseshoe/Shuffleboard/Cornhole:** Frank Tremblay reported a successful turnout at the annual bocce ball tournament. He mentioned that two benches had been removed from Court 5 before the tournament and could not be found. Frank Tremblay suggested considering additional benches in the next budget cycle and also reported damage to the bocce courts caused by electric bikes. A discussion followed about the missing benches and potential replacements.
- d. **Pickleball:** Chair Catto reported not having received any news from the Pickleball Club. Judy Burgett encouraged the Pickleball Club to be represented in the Committee.
- e. **Basketball:** In progress.

11. COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL

- a. **Discussion/Recommendation on an Award for the Construction of a Basketball Court:** Chair Catto reported attending the bid opening for the basketball court project. City Administrator Bartus discussed the addendum posted to DemandStar following a review and recommendation by David Evangelista and confirmed the contractor's awareness of it. The Committee confirmed that all bid requirements were met, and Chair Catto subsequently called for a motion.

MOTION: Motion made by David Evangelista to recommend to the City Commission to accept the sole bid of \$35,000.00 from the contractor. Judy Burgett seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: The Committee briefly discussed the project timeline and expected completion within the current fiscal year.

ON THE MOTION: Roll call vote. Unanimous approval.

City Clerk Roussin announced that the recommendation will be presented to the City Commission next Thursday.

b. Discussion/Recommendation for new Recreation Committee Alternate Members (2 open alternate seats)

i. Lisa Joseph (Sec. 12-3. Possible Residency Waiver Requirements)

Chair Catto introduced the agenda item and invited Lisa Joseph to speak. Ms. Joseph expressed interest in becoming more involved with the City and noted that she has worked in the City since 1988. She stated that while she has not used the recreational facilities since becoming a Marathon resident, she previously walked in the City when she was a resident. Ms. Joseph acknowledged the need for a residency waiver, and City Clerk Roussin provided additional information regarding the waiver process.

ii. Sally Cherry

Chair Catto invited Sally Cherry to speak. Ms. Cherry, a year-round resident since 2003, reported active participation in recreational activities and expressed interest in the return of exercise classes upon completion of City Hall construction. She also voiced interest in additional year-round programs, including crafts and quilting.

MOTION: Motion made Chair Catto to recommend the appointment of Sally Cherry as 1st Alternate and Lisa Joseph as 2nd Alternate Recreation Committee Members. David Evangelista seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

City Clerk Roussin announced that the recommendation will be presented to the City Commission on the following Thursday.

c. Discussion/Approval of making the April Meeting a Zoom-only Meeting at 10:00 AM

The Committee discussed changing the April Meeting to be a Zoom-only event. No objections were raised, and the change in meeting time and location was agreed upon.

d. Discussion/Approval of designating locations for Mini Libraries

Chair Catto discussed the joint efforts of the Beautification and Recreation Committees to bring Mini Libraries to the City's parks. Chair Catto requested that the Recreation Committee purchase one Mini Library for placement at a children's playground to provide books and magazines for children.

MOTION: Motion made by Chair Catto to purchase one Mini-Library for \$500.00. David Evangelista seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: The Committee considered potential locations for the mini-libraries, the existing library at the post office, the type of mini-library, and options for keeping books available. Chair Catto reported that the newly appointed alternate member, Sally Cherry, volunteered to oversee the mini-libraries throughout the year. She also mentioned that Public Works Director Guarino reviewed the proposed library for durability. Additional discussion covered book selection, organization, and appropriateness.

ON THE MOTION: Roll call vote. Unanimous approval.

e. Discussion on Encouraging Other Recreational Activities, Exercise, Sewing, Cooking, Crafts, etc.

Chair Catto discussed potential additional activities and suggested asking the community for suggestions on extracurricular activities. City Clerk Roussin mentioned that the Book and Sewing Club and Exercise Classes are welcome to return once the City Hall renovations are finished. Judy Burgett also proposed fish cooking classes.

f. Continued discussion on Legal Responsibilities of the Recreation Committee

Chair Catto discussed open questions about the Committee's responsibilities, followed by a discussion of procedures and protocols for requests from the Pickleball Club and Golf Course. David Evangelista shared his understanding that the Pickleball Club and Golf Course operate independently; however, any actions taken on the property should be reviewed and recommended by the Recreation Committee. Mayor Foster referred to the city's ordinance, stating that any changes requested by the Pickleball Club must go before the city, not the Committee, for approval. The Committee provided additional comments on the topic and responsibilities.

Committee Member Frank Tremblay had to leave the meeting at 4:30 PM.

g. Response to Solicitation Letter from H&L Golf Group

Chair Catto spoke on the received solicitation letter from the H&L group and suggested having the matter on the Committee's future agenda to prepare for the upcoming end of the lease agreement with Daryl Rice. David Evangelista commented on the current agreement eventually coming to an end and proposed that the recreation committee suggest to the city commission to form a fact-finding committee with residents to examine various options, identify, and evaluate them well before the agreement expires.

MOTION: Motion made by David Evangelista to propose that the Recreation Committee establish a Fact-Finding Committee, composed of community members interested in golf, to explore different management options for the Golf Course after Daryl Rice's contract ends. Chair Catto seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

h. Discussion/Recommendation on proposals for Bocce Court Paver Improvements

- i. Proposal by U.B. Brickin' for \$15,340.00
- ii. Proposal by Paver Dave for \$21,595.00

Chair Catto discussed the quotes received and the potential use of funds for the current fiscal year. David Evangelista recommended postponing the decision until the next Recreation Committee meeting so Frank Tremblay could address the proposals. Aleta Williamson seconded the motion.

MOTION: Motion made by David Evangelistat to table the agenda item. Aleta Williamson seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

13. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 9th, 2026 – 10:00 AM, Zoom

14. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Silvia Roussin

City Clerk

ADOPTED: April 9, 2026

Silvia Roussin

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