The November 16, 2023 meeting of the Rainbow Lakes Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Dallas Seveland. Other committee members present were Gary Levit, Allen McKay, Dan Wilshusen, Katherine Bryant. George Shaver and Paula Gawlik were absent. Guests present were Matthew Leibfried, MSTU Director; Lt. Mike Mangeluzzo, MCSO; Katy Burton, MSTU Recreation Manager; Robert Howard, RLE Recreation Leader. There were 13 people in attendance. The meeting was opened with invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Agenda Item Public Comment (1):

#### Approval of Minutes (2A) May 18, 2023:

Motion made by Wilshusen, seconded by McKay to accept minutes September 28, 2023. Motion carried.

#### Committee Reports (3):

<u>Building & Grounds:</u> Bryant reported the Clubhouse roof will be completed by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Once the roof has been completed the ceiling repair will be done. Wilshusen questioned if there are any updates on when shelving removal and painting in the Creative Art Center will start? Bryant responded no date at this time.

Code: Shaver is absent.

Levy County: Wilshusen reported four (4) open code enforcement violation cases and four (4) closed cases. The street sign on SE 123<sup>rd</sup> is in the wrong place. Through further researching there are different versions of the street maps making it difficult knowing where to place the street sign. Potholes beginning of 125<sup>th</sup> CT are back after repair. Spicuzza responded when DeVincentis was on the Advisory Board he was able to get Levy County to agree to take care of one of the roads not sure which road or in writing. Discussion Followed. RLE sign posts have been painted.

<u>Public Safety:</u> McKay reported the Advisory Board toured RLE facilities on October 13, 2023. Creative Art Building needs renovation. The Clubhouse is closed for repair. Fire statistics for October: twenty-one (21) urgent medical; two (2) life threatening; one (1) life threatening fire; three (3) urgent fire; one (1) omega fire; five (5) immediate medical assistance; eight (8) routine fire.

Recreation: Gawlik absent.

<u>Roads:</u> Levit reported on Marine Blvd potholes have been repaired. Marine Blvd has been mowed. Per Pete Hodges, MSTU Project Coordinator, construction on Timberlake, Trout and Soundview work will start in December.

#### Committees/Guests (4):

Lt. Mike Mongeluzzo MCSO - Nothing to report. The crime rate is down.

Katy Burton, MSTU Recreation Manager- Reported community cleanup day on January 6, 2024, after the holidays. Need volunteers to help.

Robert Howard, Recreation Leader - Seveland asked, "What is your vision for the community." Howard, responded like to see more adults active and doing more in the community activities such as community walks, softball teams and disc golf to show more community involvement. Howard, reviewed upcoming events. Seveland, asked who is running the events and the rentals to the RLE facilities? Spicuzza, responded the events and rentals are ran by the District Office.

#### Consent (5): None

#### Old Business (6):

- (6A) Levy County Ordinance 2022-21 Leibfried no updates for Levy County. Wilshusen, reported an update on the planning and zoning meeting of Levy County new zoning and ordinance. The full rewrite that was voted and approved, will be a second reading before the Florida Legislator on December 5, 2023, for the final reading. Leibfried stated the Levy County has been great to work with.
- (6B) RL Blvd Median Leibfried reported an update of Rainbow Lakes Blvd medians at the entrance of the subdivision. Road construction cost one hundred and fifty-five thousand (\$155,000); FDOT curbing sixty thousand (\$60,000); engineer design twelve thousand (\$12,000); irrigation thirty- five hundred (\$3,500.) Total estimated cost: two hundred and thirty thousand five hundred (\$230,500.00.) Seveland, asked Leibfried do you need a motion to move forward. Leibfried, yes. Seveland, asked if the board wanted to make a motion. Discussion followed. Topic to be discussed at next meeting.
- (6C) Crime Watch McKay, contacted Katy Burton about retaining a surplus Sheriff's car for our own RLE Crime Watch. Advised

by her that currently there are no cars available. More patrolling from Dunnellon Community Watch in the area. Former members and new ones are interested in staffing a new service that can patrol all RLE. McKay, would like to make a motion to authorize pursuing vehicle acquisition and make RLE Crime Watch an official function of RLE. Motion made by McKay, seconded by Levit to authorize pursuing vehicle and make RLE Crime Watch an official function of RLE. Motion carried. Seveland, asked McKay to have a proposal for the next meeting. Discussion followed.

(6D) Station II usage—Seveland stated that the Board needs to discuss future uses for the building. Would like to hear from Howard. Levit, responded for the youth kickboxing. McKay responded to use it for storage for RLE assets. Howard, responded cross fit with free weights or kickboxing gym. Discussion followed. Further discussed on January 20, 2024 meeting.

(6E) Broadband-Leibfried, no updates.

#### New Business/Board Items (7)

(7A) 2024 Meeting Schedule - Seveland, stated Advisory Board meetings to be held every month except for December and June. Motion made by Levit, seconded by Wilshusen that the meetings will be held every month except for December and June. Motion carried. Seveland, asked Spicuzza for any updates on arranging an event for the dedication of George Pugliese softball field at Seacliff Park? Spicuzza, responded the new sign is at the District Office. An invite would be sent out for the event.

#### **General Public Comment (8):**

(8A) Pins and Needles Stitchers Club Proposal - Marci McKay - Blue Gill - Propose a new club for quilters and others that sew. Asked to use the Creative Art Center every Monday from 10:00am to 12:00pm starting January 15, 2024. Seven (7) people are interested. Motion made by Levit seconded by Wilshusen for the Pins and Needles Stitchers Club to be accepted. Motion carried. McKay abstained.

#### Announcement (9):

Seveland announced the next meeting will be on January 20, 2024, at 6:30pm in the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.

## Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board Meeting Report G. Dallas Seveland - Board Chairman November 16, 2023

#### **FIVE MINUTE ANNOUNCEMENT**

if you did not contact the District Office to sign up to speak on an agenda item or during the public comment portion of tonight's meeting, please sign up at the door now and you will be allotted 2 minutes to speak. Those who did contact the District Office prior to 5 pm last Friday will be allotted 5 minutes. Please silence all electronic devices and find seats now.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

On behalf of the Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board welcome to the November 16, 2023, Advisory Board Meeting.

As a courtesy to others please, silence your cell phones and other electronic devices. If you need to take a call, please step outside. Talking or outbursts from the audience during the meeting will not be permitted.

Please take seats if they are available.

#### **Agenda and Public Comment**

Scheduled requests will be allotted 5 minutes. If you signed up at the door to speak you will be granted 2 minutes. If you have a non-agenda item to discuss you may do so during the general public comment portion towards the end of the meeting. No additional time will be allotted.

#### **Board Members & Guests**

If you wish to specifically call upon and speak with an individual in the audience during the meeting, please address the chair first. You do not need to address the chair to speak to other board members or to anyone from the public who is addressing the board during the Agenda or General Public Comment portions of the meeting.

#### <u>Invocation</u>

Holy One, known by many names and beyond all names, Thank You for every seat that has been filled here, today. For each mind and heart that fills the presence of this room, we Thank You. Only You truly know what we are setting out to accomplish today. We have an idea, a vision, hints, and daily instructions. We have talents, abilities, and time to work. However, only You can see in perfect detail the end of every beginning. Every project, every season, every life. Nothing is ever in vain, for even mistakes and missteps are used for good. Your righteousness transcends all our efforts and understanding. Forgive us for our pride. The pride that puffs us up and the pride that threatens to unqualify us. Strengthen our confidence in who You have made us to be. Set us free from comparison in order to work together efficiently.

Bless this meeting today, all those present, all the residents, volunteers and employees of Rainbow Lakes Estates as well as the lives of those we will encounter afterward. Ready us to make every moment count. Amen

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### **Roll Call**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

2A. Approval of Minutes for September 28, 2023 – Any questions concerning these minutes if not motion and second needed to vote and approve.

#### **Advisory Committee Reports**

Chairman: G. Dallas Seveland

Vice Chairman/Levy County Representative: Dan Wilshusen

Roads Representative: Gary Levit

**Building & Grounds Representative: Kathy Bryant** 

Code Enforcement Representative: George (Chris) Shaver Public Safety Representative: Allan (George) McKay

Recreation Representative: Paula Gawlik

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEE GUESTS**

Matt Leibfried – Marion County MSTU Director Lieutenant Mike Mongeluzzo - Marion County Sheriff's Office

I requested that Recreation Leader Robert Howard attend tonight's meeting as it is my
understanding that board members have some questions about the direction and his plans for
our recreation department. I notice that his name does not appear to have been put on the
agenda as an invited guest.

#### **AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

Please state and spell your name for the record. You are also required to give your full address.

#### CONSENT

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 6A. Levy County Proposed Land Use Code Amendment Ordinance 2022-2 I Defer to the MSTU Director Matt Leibfried and our Levy County Representative Dan Wilshusen for updated information and progress.
- 2. **6B. RL Blvd Median Islands** I had requested that MSTU Director Matt Leibfried investigate if the uncurbed median islands on Rainbow Lakes Blvd serve any purpose such as for watershed or if they serve no actual purpose at all. I will now defer to him for a progress report.

- 3. **6C.** Crime Watch As we are all aware, several months ago the volunteer crime watch program that was run under MCSO was dissolved here in RLE. Crime watch is a vital part of our community. As board chairman I believe is imperative that we create our own independent crime watch program where oversight would fall under the supervision of this board. I had requested that our Public Safety Representative Allan McKay investigate this possibility so I will now defer to him for a progress report.
- 4. 6D. Former RLEVFD Fire Station II Station II has been released back to our district. RLE Advisory Board members have toured the facility and need to discuss possible future uses for the building that would best benefit our residents. I would also like to hear input from our RLE Recreation Leader Robert Howard. Although a discussion will follow today no decision concerning this issue will be made. I will reschedule further discussions and a potential vote for our January 20th, 2024, meeting.
- 5. **6E. Broadband** Open for board discussion.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

 7A. 2024 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule – Discussion, motion and vote on the proposed meeting schedule.

#### **PRIOR MEETING UPDATES**

7. **The George Pugliese Field at Seacliff Park** - In May of this year this board voted to rename the baseball field at Seacliff Park in honor of George Pugliese a resident and dedicated community volunteer. Has there been any progress with arranging an event for the dedication?

#### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Please state and spell your name for the record. You are also required to give your full address.

8. 8A. Pins & Needles Stitchers Club Proposal – Marci McKay (5 minutes granted).

#### **ANNOUNCMENTS**

- Do any board members or board guests have anything they would like to announce?
- Since this is our last meeting of the year, I want to take a moment to wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving, a Joyous Holiday Season and Happy and Prosperous New Year. I Thank everyone for attending tonight's meeting.
- Our next Advisory Board meeting was to be held on Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:30 PM here in the community center.
- Meeting Adjourned.

#### Rainbow Lakes Estates MSD Advisory Board Report-

Levy County Representative: Dan Wilshusen

Items to report on:

#### 1.) Code Enforcement-

We still have 4 open code enforcement violation cases. All have been reported to Levy County code enforcement and they have been working on these. I have noticed that we have closed or cleared 4 others. (This is the same as reported at our last meeting.)

#### 2.) Maintenance-

Further research on the street sign out on SE 123<sup>rd</sup> that just seems to be in the wrong place. This seems to be caused by different versions of the street maps used. Some maps show a bend in the road at this point. I reported that some of the larger potholes at the beginning of SE 125<sup>th</sup> were filled. However, they are back and seem to be getting worse. This road has had a lot of non RLE resident street racing on it lately. This is one of the roads that leads to one of the surrounding neighborhoods.

#### 3.) Volunteers-

We had some volunteers go out and do some weed whacking and cleaning at SE 114<sup>th</sup> and CR337. The signposts have also received a new coat of paint which makes it so you can see the RLE signage before you get to the road in which you need to turn. Prior to the painting the signposts, during the day light hours, the sign would fade into the surrounding woods and trees making it difficult to see it until you were right there.

We have also been doing a lot of trash pick up on the sides of our roads. The biggest areas are SE 105<sup>th</sup>, SE 110<sup>th</sup> and of course SE 114<sup>th</sup>.

#### Note:

Thank you to the maintenance department for making it so we can see and remove the litter. This was a big help.

### GARY LEVIT- "THE ROADS GUY"

AS THOSE THAT DRIVE ON MARINE BLVD. KNOW THE COUNTY FILLED IN THE EVER PRESENT POT HOLES

THANKS TO MAINTEINANCE FOR MOWING THE SIDES OF MARINE BLUD NOW IF ONLY THE CORNER OF TROUT + MARINE CAN RECIEVE ATTENTION.

I SPOKE WITH PETE HODGES ABOUT CONSTRUCTION ON TIMBERLAKE AND TROUT, IT WAS TO BE DONE LAST SUMMER, HE REPLYED, THATS GOVERNMENT FOR YOU. HA, HA HE ALSO SAID THAT THEN ARE HAVING A PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETINGAT THE SITES NEXT WEEK. THEY WILL ALSO DO WORK ON SOUNDVIEW. HE EXPECTS WORK WILL START SOMETIME IN DECEMBER.

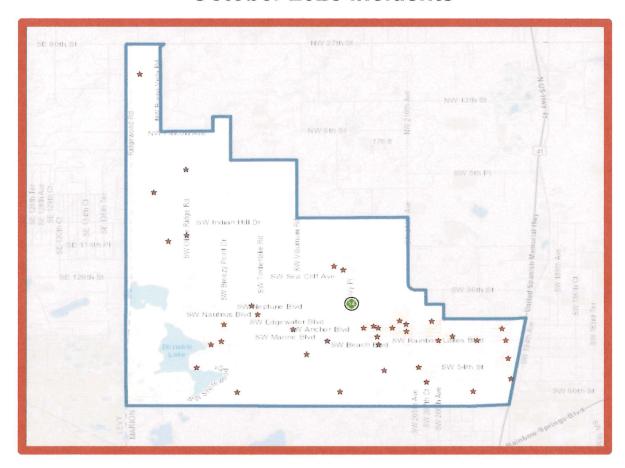
I STILL NEED TO INSPECT OTHER COMPLAINTS. UNFORTUNATLY MY DRIVING HAS BEEN HAMPERED BY HEALTH CONCERNS.

## Rainbow Lakes Estates Public Safety Liaison A. George Mckay Advisory Board Meeting Report November 16, 2023

Mr Chairman, First I want to congratulate Robert Howard and Pamela Spicuzza for the wonderful Fall Festival they organized and ran. Naturally with all new enterprises there is a learning curve but overall this was a great start of what we all hope is an enjoyable and popular future tradition.

- 1. The board toured RLE facilities October 13 and several things of note were found. The Creative Arts building needs considerable renovation. It has not been painted inside or out for quite some time. This building could be the crowning jewel in our efforts to improve facilities for our residents and it is shabby and run down. Condition of floors and the ceilings needs attention and money will need to be spent on material and labor. In touring the clubhouse we could not see all of the building due to the ceiling having collapsed in one area. Investing money now in our properties is money well spent and if the clubhouse is not viable any longer I suggest the space be used for something else. The fitness center was well cared for and clean. We need to promote it much more. This is what I believe our goal should be, clean, modern facilities with a defined purpose and proper maintenance and upgrades as may be appropriate.
- 2. I have contacted Marion County Procurement which referred me to Matt Liebfried's office about obtaining a surplus former Sheriff's car for our own Crime Watch. I was advised by Katy that currently there are no cars available but we would be notified when there was. The cost to RLE is any maintenance or repairs required and insurance and fuel. This appears to be the best solution. We had not budgeted procurement of a new vehicle so this solution is not possible. I have been noticing more and more patrolling from Dunnellon Community Watch and I am heartened by this. Our Levy County residents however do not benefit from this and this is just not right or fair.
- 3. Crime Watch: I have been contacted by former members of RLE Crime Watch that they have a list of interested former members and new ones to staff a new service that can patrol ALL of RLE. I would like to ask that all of these volunteers hold a meeting so we can get a better idea of what and who we are working with. I will formally ask the board for a vote authorizing pursuing vehicle acquisition and make this a formal function of RLE permanently. Dave Sheldon, the former President of RLE Crime Watch has expressed interest in coordinating the new group.
- 4. Fire statistics are: Urgent medical 21, Life threat 2, Life threat fire 1, Urgent fire 3, Omega fire 1, Immediate medical assist 5, Routine medical 8, Routine fire. My thanks for the Marion County Fire and Rescue coming to our Craft Fair.

## Rainbow Lakes Estates Marion County Fire Rescue Station 14 October 2023 Incidents



Priority Count	
Urgent Medical	21
Life Threat	2
Life Threat Fire	1
Urgent Fire	3
Omega Fire	1
Immediate Medical Assist	5
Immediate Fire Assist	0
Routine Medical	8
Routine Fire	2

#### **RAINBOW LAKES ESTATES**

#### **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS LIASION**

Kathy Bryant

Advisory Board Meeting 11/16/2023 REPORT

The Clubhouse, near the dock, roof will be completed by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Once the roof has been replaced the asbestos can be removed and the ceiling repairs will be done.

The advisory board toured fire station 2 that is no longer being used. Several options for its use were discussed. It is open to further discussion.

#### RAINBOW LAKES ESTATES - MEDIAN REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT

11/16/2023



Proposed scope of work:

Rainbow Lakes Blvd. medians at the entrance of the subdivision:

The first two (2) medians heading west will remain.

First median curb will be replaced with FDOT Type "A" curb. Second median will be installed with FDOT Type "A" curb.

The remainder of the medians to the west will be completely removed. The roadway will be rebuilt to MSTU standards and paved.

There will be an Engineer retained for design.

Irrigation will be replaced in the first median and installed in the second meduan. This will require a pipe connection between medians.

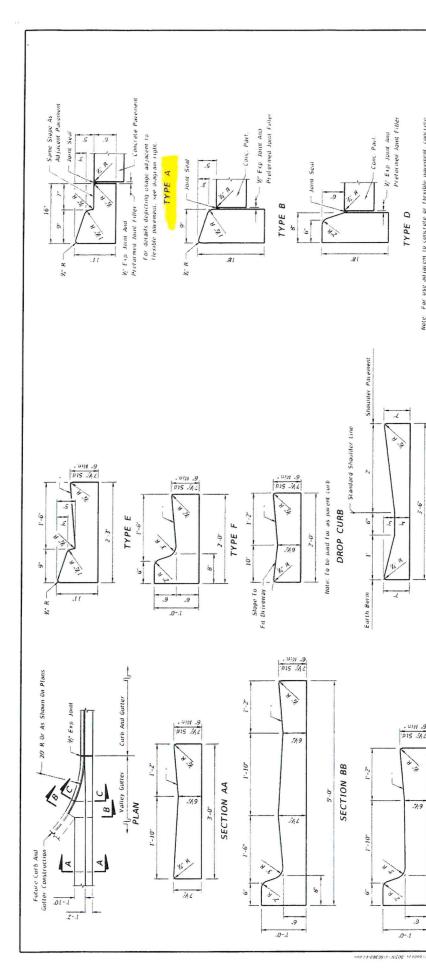
Road construction cost: \$155,000

Type "A" FDOT curbing: \$60,000

Engineer: \$12,000

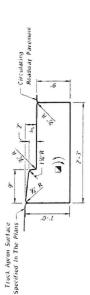
Irrigation: \$3,500.00

Total estimated cost : \$230,500.00



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# CONCRETE CURB



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CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER

FDOT DESIGN STANDARDS

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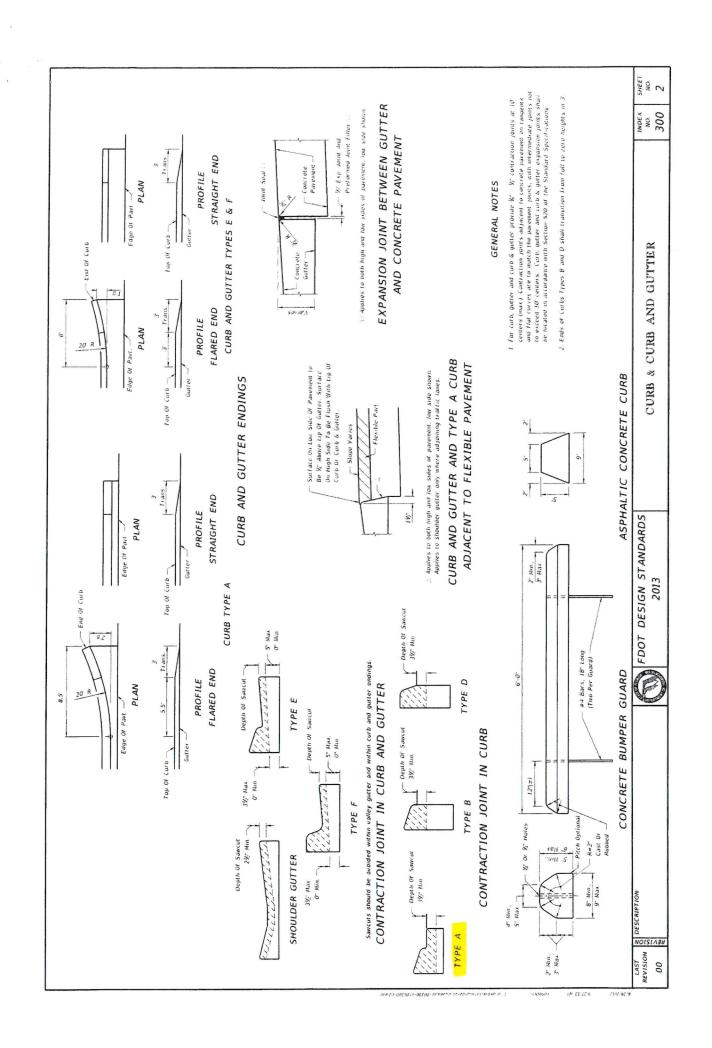
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VALLEY GUTTER

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# RAINBOW LAKES BLVD. MEDIAN MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL



Medians to remain

Medians to be removed

PROPOSAL TO CREATE A VOLUNTEER RECREATION COMMITTEE TO ADVISE THE RAINBOW LAKES ESTATES ADVISORY BOARD AND WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE RAINBOW LAKES ESTATES RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

Prepared by: G. Dallas Seveland Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board Chairman

Background: During the Spring of 2017, the Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board redesigned our then-unused youth recreation center by purchasing equipment and supplies to create a family-friendly environment for the children and young people of our district and surrounding communities. Volunteers originally operated the youth center, and due to the overwhelming success of the center in the fall of 2019, we were able to hire a full-time recreation leader to oversee its operation. As time progressed, there were some setbacks. Still, due to the current leadership, our youth center has blossomed into a full-scale recreation department that has transcended beyond our original expectations and is currently comprised of two buildings. One is the youth center, and the other houses our recreation office, computer lab, and free coffee bar café, both open to all Rainbow Lakes Estates residents. Additionally, we have upgraded several of our other outdoor facilities that currently host many activities. We now host numerous weekly/monthly programs, ongoing events, and special events throughout the year within our district.

Statement of Need: This newly created committee would enhance communication between all governance structures while providing additional representation for residents. Currently, what is lacking is the solicitation, collection, and dissemination of information between the Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board, the Rainbow Lakes Estates District Office, and the residents of Rainbow Lakes Estates. The Recreation Committee would support the Rainbow Lakes Estates Recreation Department in facilitating events, multi-generational recreational opportunities, and the arts. The committee would work alongside the Rainbow Lakes Estates Recreation Department on events and programs to set forth ideas, organization, and procedures and recruit community volunteers for said events and programs as needed. The Committee is the steward for the Rainbow Lakes Estates recreational resources, ensuring that residents and guests have full access and take advantage of our district treasures.

**Proposal**: The creation of a three (3) to five (5) member volunteer recreation committee that works on behalf of the Rainbow Lakes Estates Advisory Board in conjunction with the Rainbow Lakes Estates Recreation Department and would be charged with:

- 1) Identifying and addressing the specific recreation needs of our district.
- 2) Providing an interface for the recreation committee, advisory board, and recreation department members.
- 3) Recommending improvements to our youth, adult, and senior adult recreational programs and services to the advisory board and recreation department.

- 4) Recommending unique and creative events that would be of interest to a wide variety of community members.
- 5) Recruitment and retention of community volunteers to assist and volunteer with all aspects of events and special events.
- 6) Recruit community volunteers to assist in operating our youth center, computer lab, coffee bar, sports, and other activities.
- 7) Promote all events, special events, activities, and programs within Rainbow Lakes Estates through social media, advertising, radio, and other available venues.

January 18, 2024