

**City of Fort Lauderdale
WALK OF FAME COMMITTEE
City Hall, 8th Conference Room
Thursday, May 8, 2014 – 11:30 a.m.
MINUTES**

Committee Members Present

Louise Crocco
Jack Drury
Marcia Pinder
George Smith

Committee Members Absent

Rick Shaw
Woody Woodbury

Also Present

Tim McGovern, Staff Liaison
Cole Copertino, City Attorney's Office
Chaz Adams, Public Affairs Office
Angela DiPietro, Parks and Recreation

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:43 a.m. Each committee member introduced themselves. Jack Drury welcomed and thanked each committee member.

Cole Copertino discussed the Florida Government-in-the-Sunshine Law and informed members that this limited duration committee will expire December 31, 2014.

Public Discussion on 2014 Walk of Fame Nominations

The committee opened up the meeting for public discussion of the 2014 Walk of Fame nominations. Tim Schiavone spoke about his support for Gregg Newell who economically influenced Fort Lauderdale Beach over many years as owner of The Button. Dan Santoro also spoke about his nomination for Gregg Newell and how Mayor Jim Naugle declared October 22 as "Crazy Gregg Day" in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Judith Summers spoke in support of John McLaughlin who served as a stunt double for Sean Connery over many years.

Selection of Chair

Committee members discussed the selection of a chair for 2014.

MOTION: Crocco/Pinder. Motion was made to appoint Jack Drury as Chair of the 2014 Walk of Fame Committee. Passed unanimously.

2014 Walk of Fame Selection

Chair Drury opened the floor for discussion of the 2014 Walk of Fame honorees.

Chair Drury also presented Woody Woodbury's recommendations since he could not attend due to an illness. Lousie Crocco brought Jerome Faber forward for consideration. George Smith spoke on behalf of Johnny Alexander but requested clarification on City employees winning since he believed there is already an award established for employees. Marcia Pinder also spoke in favor of Johnny Alexander.

Copertino informed the committee that they can preserve remaining nominees for next year so the future Walk of Fame Committee can re-establish the list if necessary.

Committee members discussed their top three selections.

MOTION: Smith/Crocco. The following people were recognized as 2014 Walk of Fame Honorees: Gregg Newell, Jerome Faber, and John Amodeo. Passed unanimously.

Chair Drury told committee members that they are welcome to attend the Walk of Fame Honoree reception at the Great American Beach Party at 5 p.m.

Committee members discussed volunteering for the 2015 Walk of Fame Committee.

MOTION: Pinder/Crocco. Motion to adjourn at 12:22 p.m. Passed unanimously.