

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 263

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO CLOSE THE PARK AT ROCK SPRINGS FARMS.**

**WHEREAS**, Covenant for Maintenance for Rock Springs Farms Planned Unit Development, approved by the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) as Ordinance 2017-49, as most recently amended by Resolution 2020-04 approved by the St. Johns County Planning and Zoning Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, Rock Springs Farms Park (“Park”) is 8.52 acres of public active-based recreation area including the main 7.32 acres of active recreation area along US 1, the 1.14 acres of public trail around the flood pond, and the 0.06-acre public trail parking area; and

**WHEREAS**, under the header Park Construction and Maintenance, the Covenant for Maintenance, Rock Springs Farms Homeowners Association, Inc. (“Rock Springs”), shall be responsible for maintenance of the constructed improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Covenant for Maintenance requires Rock Springs to maintain general liability insurance; and

**WHEREAS**, Rock Springs is unable to fulfill their obligations regarding maintaining general liability insurance; and

**WHEREAS**, Rock Springs has stated that they do have the 1.14 acres of public trail around the flood pond (as shown in red in *Exhibit “A”*) insured; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park is provided for and used by St. Johns County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 20, 2023, the Board voted to close the Park until Rock Springs Major Modification is heard by the Board or until November 1, 2023 whichever comes first; and

**WHEREAS**, after the June 20, 2023 Board meeting, Rock Springs requested that the 1.14 acres of public trail around the flood pond remain open; and

**WHEREAS**, closing the main 7.32 acres of active recreation area along US 1 and the 0.06-acre public trail parking area serves a public purpose; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:**

1. The above recitals are hereby adopted as findings of fact.
2. The County Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized to close the main 7.32 acres of active recreation area along US 1 and the 0.06-acre public trail parking area, (leaving the 1.14 acres of public trail around the flood pond shown in *Exhibit “A”* open), on behalf of the County for the purposes mentioned above until Rock Springs

Major Modification is heard by the Board or until November 1, 2023 whichever comes first.

3. To the extent that there are typographical and/or administrative errors and/or omissions that do not change the tone, tenor, or context of this Resolution, then this Resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023.

ATTEST: Brandon J. Patty, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Crystal Smith  
Deputy Clerk

By: Christian Whitehurst  
Christian Whitehurst, Chair

Rendition Date: JUL 21 2023

Effective Date: JUL 18 2023



Exhibit "A"



St. Johns County, FL



Overview



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