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Flagler County dedicates soccer fields, unveils monument to the late Commissioner Frank Meeker

January 24, 2017 – Flagler County officials are dedicating the Wadsworth Park soccer fields on Saturday to the late Commissioner Frank Meeker, and will unveil the monument that memorializes his many contributions the county.

“Mrs. (Debbie) Meeker chose the date because it’s Frank’s birthday,” Commission Chair Nate McLaughlin said. “He would have been 62, and this is a good way to celebrate the day.”

The dedication will be held at 10 a.m. January 28 in a garden created near the flagpole. Debbie, Joshua and Jason Meeker will speak, as well as Becky Mitchell, Flagler County Youth Soccer League Administrator.

“The Wadsworth soccer field was selected for the memorial dedication, because Frank spent many hours on this field with the Flagler County Youth Soccer League,” McLaughlin said.

Meeker passed away on July 22, 2016 having battled cancer.

He was a devoted member of the Board of County Commissioners since 2012, and served as chairman in 2015. During his tenure, Meeker secured funding for the MalaCompra Basin Water Quality Enhancement Project; helped finalize the Manatee Protection Plan; developed Sea Turtle protection guidelines for Flagler County; and, represented the county at the Regional Planning Council, Scenic A1A, as well as a variety of other boards and committees.

Meeker was a soccer youth coach for more than 15 years. He had a passion for the environment, but his life was characterized by his love for his city, Palm Coast, and Flagler County, but mostly for his love of family.

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