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# CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

"The Pass of the Oaks" LIBRARY & RECREATION SERVICES

# <u>Minutes</u> <u>Paso Robles Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee</u> April 13, 1999 4:00p.m. Centennial Park Conference Room

## CALL TO ORDER

# **ROLL CALL**

Members present - Carol Conway, Alice Sparrow, Jane Roach, Greig Welch, Robin Fairbairn, Chet Dotter, Donna Berg,

Also present: Tom Baron - City Councilman, Frank Mecham - City Councilman, Barbara Partridge - Director Library and Recreation Services, Charlotte Gorton - Recreation Supervisor, and Norma Moye - Director of Main Street.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Norma Moye related her concern about the newstands being placed around City Park. Member Welch moved that this item be added to the agenda, seconded by Member Sparrow. So moved. After discussion, it was moved by Member Welch and seconded by Member Fairbairn, with a unanimous vote to draft a letter to City Council suggesting that in order to protect the ambience of the parks, we continue the past practice of having all applications to place anything on or surrounding the city parks such as news stands or works of art go through a vote of the Paso Robles Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1) Approved Minutes of March 9, 1999

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2) Youth Arts Foundation - Donna Berg reported on the results of the City Council meeting held on March 16, 1999. The Paso Robles Youth Arts Foundation was awarded \$135,000 in CDBG money to purchase property for a youth arts center.

3) <u>Non Profit Organization</u> - Director Partridge discussed benefits of establishing a separate non-profit organization to assist City recreation. Also discussed was the fact that ACORN will accept all fund raising monies for the Harley Davidson project. Member Fairbairn made it clear that Parks and Recreation Advisory members not be highly involved in fund raising and that it primarily be an "in-house" tool. He suggested that there be no more than 5 committee members. Member Berg expressed interest in being involved in creating a non-profit organization for recreation. Member Berg motioned to create a non-profit organization for recreation using advisory committee as members. Jane Roach seconded. Unanimous vote of approval.

## A ADHOC COMMUNICATIONS

4) <u>New Senior Center</u> - Member Conway reported on the Senior Advisory Committee meeting held on April 12, 1999. She mentioned that the senior council was in favor of the idea of moving to Centennial Park and were coming up with a letter of recommendation in that regard. Director Partridge said they can be moved to Centennial for the interim if need be, but said that the City Council was still considering Sherwood Park/Scott Street as the site of choice. Much discussion was held with no decisions being formally made.

5) <u>Barney Schwartz Park</u> - Director Partridge gave update on the progress of Barney Schwartz Park. It should be completed by spring of next year and after the grass is planted, it will be another year before the fields are playable.

6) <u>Skateboard Park</u> - Member Roach reported that a designer was chosen by the Skaeboard Park committe which is also comprised of several children. The firm Purgiss Rose was chosen on the basis of quality, maintenance, and rapport with the skaters. The design bid was \$18,605.

7) Parks & Recreation Goals for 1999 - Updated special interest ad-hoc committees:

- A. Senior Citizens Carol Conway
- B. Skate Park C.J. Roach, Donna Berg
- C. Barney Schwartz Park Alice Sparrow
- D. Oak Park Center Chet Dotter
- E. Youth Arts Foundation Donna Berg
- F. Non Profit Foundation Robin Fairbairn
- G. Art in Public Places Alice Sparrow, Robin Fairbairn
- H. Golf Tournament/Fundraising Carol Conway

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

Tom Baron - no report. Frank Mecham - no report.

## **EXECUTIVE MANAGER REPORT**

8. <u>Toy Bank</u> - Director Partridge reported on the request of Toy Bank to utilize Centennial Park as a staging area. They will be using the pool area, game room and gymnasium for 3 days in December.

9) <u>ACORN/Oak Park Fundraiser</u> - Director Partridge reported that the tickets for the Harley Davidson fundraiser are at the printers. They will be sold for \$25 a ticket or a book of 5 for \$100 with the 5<sup>th</sup> ticket being for an additional prize drawing of \$500.

## WRITTEN COMMUNCATION - None

#### ADVISORY BODY COMMUNCIATION - None

#### UNSCHEDULED MATTERS

10) <u>Summer Leisure Guide</u> - Supervisor Gorton gave progress report on the summer Leisure guide and summer swim program.

11) <u>**City Wide Volunteer Program**</u> - Supervisor Gorton reported on the Volunteer Reception and joint project with the Library division working together on a City wide volunteer program including a training academy and future plans.

12) <u>Spring Softball Tournament</u> - Supervisor Gorton reported on the Paso Robles Softball Association fundraising tournament held on March 13 and 14. The association raises dollars to help the department buy softballs for the season.

ADJOURNMENT - adjourned at 5:16p.m.