

MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 11, 2005 at Centennial Park Live Oak Room, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Amie Hammond, Robin Fairbairn, Robert Gibson, Robert Nash, David Steaffens, Danna Stroud and Kevin Will
Absent: Heidi Hostetter-Wicka and Mike Ojeda
Staff present: Barbara Partridge, Charlotte Gorton, Annie Robb, Gary Perruzzi, Freda Berman and Doug Monn
City Council reps: Mayor Mecham and Councilman Nemeth
Guests: Greg Haas, T.J. Jolicoeur and Paula O'Farrell

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- T.J. Jolicoeur, Paso Robles Girls Softball, has met with city staff and is proposing to purchase batting cages and would like to put at BSP. After discussion, staff will send T.J. a Presentation Criteria for Special Use of Recreation Venue form.
- Director introduced Doug Monn, Interim-Public Works Director, who will be attending our monthly meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Gibson, seconded by Stroud, to approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2004 meeting.
- 1-a. A motion was made by Nash, seconded by Gibson, to approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2004 meeting/mixer. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. **Parks-4-Pups**
 - Paula O'Farrell made a presentation to the Advisory Committee about putting a dog park in the City of Paso Robles. She would like to be put on a future agenda of the Advisory Committee. Staff will send Paula a Presentation Criteria for Special Use of Recreation Venue form.
 - Director Partridge distributed the City's Municipal Code on animal control for informational purposes.
3. **Review Goals to City Council**
 - Director handed out a staff report submitted to the City Council of all advisory bodies, committees and groups who submitted input for the City Council's February 12, 2005 Goal Setting Workshop. Director also invited members to attend this workshop at 9 am in the City Hall Conference Room.

- Director Partridge and Chairman Fairbairn discussed Capital Improvements and the city's input on how to pay for Art in Public Places. Public Art Policy is in existence and proposal for funding for public art is in draft form. Fairbairn will bring this plan back for discussion at the next meeting for discussion and/or approval.
4. **Recreation Wish List Update**
- Director Partridge and Charlotte Gorton discussed the Library & Recreation Wish List and monies brought in for each division. Flyers were sent out to 1200 community members, it is advertised in the Activity Guide and we are now working on a gift catalog to purchase items needed.

2004-05 AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Public Art

- Fairbairn discussed above under Goals to City Council.

Billboard Program

- Gary Perruzzi, Recreation Services Manager, explained we have been waiting for the City Council for approval of the Sign Ordinance which has been done. We should be able to move forward. Perruzzi will bring the Sign Ordinance and Rules and Regulations for placement of the billboards to the next meeting for discussion.

Needs Assessment

- No discussion at this time. Meeting to follow and will give update at February meeting.

Skate Park Review

- Robert Nash formalized all Ad Hoc Committee meeting notes into one packet and distributed to the Advisory Committee for review. Annie Robb, City Librarian, may want staff to do a more comprehensive review of this project.
- Director Partridge suggested placing an action item on the February agenda.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Public Works

- Freda Berman advised our parks are under water due to the recent rains. We will be working on winter maintenance and getting the fields in shape for tournament play.
- Chairman Fairbairn asked about a request to put another gazebo in City Park. Mayor Mechem advised the City Council received a request for refurbishing the City Park restrooms. Member Stroud advised the REC, Inc. is interested in refurbishing the City Park playground.

BSP

- Gary Perruzzi advised the 2005 Use of Facility calendar is complete and includes approximately 48 tournaments, recreation and other league play and special events such as the annual Kite Fest, Fishing Derby and Fourth of July celebration.

Library

- Discussed Public Libraries throughout the County of SLO are closing on Mondays due to lack of funding. Paso Robles is the only City Library in the County of SLO and will continue to be open six days a week.
- Invited all members to attend the Library's 10th Anniversary in the City Hall complex at the May Chamber Mixer.

- We have been given authorization to accept \$363,000 grant monies for the Las Tablas Conservation District for the Salinas River and the City committed to maintain this trail.
- City Council also authorized the National Park Service liaison process of the Salinas River Corridor for a three day workshop in the spring.
- Fairbairn complimented Robb on what a good job the Library Volunteers do.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Mayor Mecham commented:

- He is on his way to the Paso Robles High School to present recognition awards to the High School Band for their participation in the Peach Bowl.
- Decisions will need to be made about repairing the Carnegie Library and dealing with FEMA.

Councilman Nemeth advised:

- Suggested REC, Inc. and Main Street programs work together on renovating areas of the City Park.
- FYI – There will be batting cages at the new Butterfield water park and Perruzzi stated MVP also has batting cages.

EXECUTIVE MANAGERS REPORT

Director Partridge discussed:

- The letter distributed to all members from the City Manager to chairman Fairbairn about the Advisory Committee's involvement in the planning process was welcomed and encouraged. City Manager suggested the members appoint a liaison to attend the Planning Commission meetings. Advisory members also discussed the Design Review Committee (DRC).
- Members discussed and agreed to rotate attendance at the Planning Commission meetings the second and fourth Tuesday/month. O'Neal will bring a 2005 calendar of Planning Commission meetings for the Advisory members to sign up at the February meeting.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS - None

ADJOURNED

- A motion was made by Nash to adjourn the meeting at 5 p.m.
- The meeting was adjourned to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2005, 4:00 p.m. at Centennial Park, Live Oak Room, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 2/8/05 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant

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