

MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 8, 2005 ~ Centennial Park – Live Oak Room 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members present: Robin Fairbairn, Amie Hammond, Robert Nash, David Steaffens,
Danna Stroud and Kevin Will
Absent: Robert Gibson, Heidi Hostetter-Wicka and Mike Ojeda
Staff present: Barbara Partridge, Charlotte Gorton, Gary Perruzzi, Freda Berman,
Doug Monn and Judy O'Neal
Staff absent: Annie Robb
City Council present: Gary Nemeth
City Council absent: Mayor Mecham
Planning Commissioner absent: Eric Mattke

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Stroud, seconded by Nash, to approve the Minutes of the February 8, 2005 meeting - motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. **Policy for Naming of Public Facility**
 - Gary Perruzzi, Recreation Services Manager, gave a presentation on the new city policy for naming public facilities. This policy came about because a person wanted to name a field after Tom Silva.
 - A motion was made by Steaffens, seconded by Stroud, to approve the policy as presented and forward to full City Council for their approval – motion passed.
3. **Planning Commission Bi-Weekly Meetings**
 - A calendar of the remaining 2005 Planning Commission meetings was given to the Advisory Committee members to sign up, attend meetings at City Hall and give an update at the next months Advisory meeting.
4. **REC, Inc. Proposal to Master Plan City Park**

- REC, Inc. members Danna Stroud, Brandon Medeiros and Greg Haas attended the City Council Goal Setting Workshop. Members proposed a master plan of City Park and presented Council with a \$10,000 check to start the project. Council has made this item two of their 2005-2007 Goals.
- Staff has done a New and Expanded Service for a four year plan with the inclusion of using REC, Inc.'s \$10,000 and asking the city to match and add \$25,000 in each of the following three years to master plan city parks. Cost to master plan a park is approximately \$10-20,000.

5. **City Council Goal Setting Workshop Update**

- Director Partridge advised the 2005-2007 City Council Goals have an impact on the Department of Library and Recreation Services on numbers 1, 2, 6 and 19. She was very pleased at the public participation at the Goal Workshop. Stroud advised there was a large contingency of public that attended to voice their opinion and the Council seems to listen to the requests.

2004-05 AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Public Art

- Director Partridge advised at their March 1 City Council meeting they approved the funding of an Art in Public Places program with a vote of 3 Ayes and 2 Noes.

Billboard Program

- Interim Director of Public Works, Doug Monn, is the new liaison on this Committee and this project will be put on hold until numerous items can be resolved such as: staff can work on amending the codes, changing the Sign Ordinance, what type of impact this will have on the budget for staff time to administer, etc.
- Chairman Fairbairn asked Monn to meet with the Billboard Ad Hoc Committee who has already done work on this project to consolidate efforts.

Needs Assessment

- Hammond advised there is a survey that will be done in April on recreation programs. Deadline to submit questions for the survey is April 7 and completion date is April 26.
- Gorton is staff member working on this Committee and the survey will be reviewed by staff before it goes out to public and copies will be given to Advisory Committee.

Skate Park Review

- This Ad Hoc Committee is on hold until the City Council addresses this subject. Monn is also working on this Committee and it involves more than just the skate park. It also has to do with cleaning the side walks, trip and fall maintenance projects, and more. He will send copies to Nash and Fairbairn.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- Councilman Nemeth commented on the February 12 Goal Setting Workshop.
- Discussed the City Park carousel along with input from Doug Monn.
- Nemeth advised the Council meetings are aired on KPRL Radio and invited the community to participate in city planning at the Planning Commission meetings the second and fourth Tuesdays of the months. We are trying to convince the public to get involved and participate in city planning through the Advisory Committees.
- Starting to work on the budget process.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Public Works – Doug Monn

- Monn has done Request for Quotes on the parks master plan and put in the budget process.

Parks – Freda Berman

- Renovating the soccer fields at BSP and getting ready for play in July.
- 2005 event season will begin March 18 and go until the end of 2005.
- Little League's opening day is March 12, 2005.

BSP – Gary Perruzzi

- Gearing up for softball tournaments.
- Summer season is about to start with recreation adult softball, Paso Robles Girls Softball and Little League.
- Mile markers at BSP are going up along walking paths and hopefully will be able to put the markers at other city parks.
- BSP volunteers put up a message board that advertises the events at BSP.
- Three major events coming up at BSP: Kite Fest is May 1, Fourth of July celebration with a possible military fly by of an F-18. The location is moving from the softball field #4 to the lake pavilion area to expand the fire works show paid by Chemron and July 30 is the Annual Fishing Derby.

Recreation - Charlotte Gorton

- Congratulated Gary Perruzzi for being awarded the Professional of the Year at the Annual CPRS District Eight Dinner. The area of competition runs from San Miguel to the north down to Woodland Hills, California to the south. Staff will be doing a presentation at the next City Council meeting.
- Three other awards were hand out in the Recreation Department for:
 - REC, Inc. received the Community Service Award.
 - Youth Commission received the Best Youth Development Award, and
 - Rose O'Sullivan of the Recreation Dept. received the Best Poster Award for the Concerts in the Park series in 2004.
- SLO CAPRA Workshop held at Hearst Castle was very successful and informative. We had David Steaffens, Danna Stroud and Amie Hammond attend

on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee along with Charlotte Gorton.

- All three city pools will soon be equipped with handicap lifts. The third and last lift is being funded through the CDBG program.
- A full bus of trip enthusiasts went to San Francisco to see Beach Blank Babylon. The next trip scheduled is to the Getty Museum.
- The bands are all booked for the Summer Concerts in the Park series.
- Youth Commission is working on Battle of the Bands at the fairgrounds on May 6.
- We are currently recruiting for 2005 Summer Aquatic staff for our pools.

EXECUTIVE MANAGERS REPORT

Director Partridge advised

- Recreation received \$149,000 of CDBG monies to help with renovating the indoor pool roof and bathhouse. There will be an assessment done by an engineer and shoring design.
- Paso Robles Youth Arts Foundation is adding a new addition to the building and adding 160 more hours of class time. This is paid for by the endorsement of the Donna Berg Family Trust and interest from their endowment. There are currently 300 children enrolled in this program.
- John & Barbara Partridge are having a retirement party April 21, 2005. Her last day of work is Friday, April 22, 2005.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS - None

ADJOURNED

- A motion was made by Stroud, seconded by Will, to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. – motion passed.
- The meeting was adjourned to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, 4:00 p.m. at Centennial Park, Live Oak Room, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles.

MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 4/12/05 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant

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