

MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 13, 2007 ~ Centennial Park – Live Oak Room 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Chairman Nash called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Secretary O’Neal took roll as follows:

Members present: Robert Gibson, Robert Nash, Paula O’Farrell, David Steaffens, and Rosalie

Wolff

City staff present: Annie Robb, Charlotte Gorton, Charles Lorenzen, and Judy O’Neal

Absent: Doug Monn

City Council present: Gary Nemeth

Absent: John Hamon

Planning Commissioner present: Chuck Treach

Guests: Meg Williamson, Brandon Medeiros, and Ann Quinn

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Member Wolff, seconded by Steaffens, to approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2007 meeting – motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Report on Council Goal Setting Workshop

- Annie Robb, Director, introduced Chuck Treach, our new Planning Commissioner, replacing Christie Withers.
- Director gave an update on the February 3, 2007 Council Goal Setting Workshop with plans for a second public workshop on Thursday, February 15, 2007, 7:00 p.m. in the Library/City Hall Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles. Annie thanked Paula and Rosalie for representing the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee at the Workshop.
- All suggestions were prioritized in 10 to 12 general concepts and fits within the city’s Economic Strategy Goals. Annie distributed copies for the members to review.

3. Salinas River Corridor

- Meg Williamson, Assistant to City Manager and Brandon Medeiros, Wallace Group, gave a presentation, and distributed handouts on the Salinas River Corridor. At the

conclusion, we will be presenting the City Council with a visionary document. There is a catalog on the city website to review and is also available on disc.

- Brandon, Landscape Architect for Wallace Group and local resident, explained the four areas of the graphic on display:
 1. Environmental concept that will work in the community.
 2. Connectivity to trails, Salinas River, trail heads, tree-line corridor, north to south and all adjacent communities.
 3. Urban, economic, and redevelopment possibilities.
 4. Recreation, existing parks on this trail, and proposed parks.
- Meg announced another presentation will be on February 28, 2007, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Library/City Hall Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles.
- Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, mentioned the colored branding on top of the flyer came from the charrette workshop. This branding theme is proposed to be carried throughout the Salinas River parkway system and possibly tied into the master planning for City and Pioneer Parks.

COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

Annie Robb, Director, discussed:

- Sherwood Forest grand opening, February 9, with approximately 500 people in attendance at this special event.
- City Council approved Parks-4-Pups proposal to designate walking paths at Centennial Park as “on leash” dog walking areas. Council voted to revise Resolution, to suspend enforcement of Municipal Code, Dogs in Public Places, on walking paths at Centennial Park for a period of one year beginning March 1, 2007.
- Parks-4-Pups will supply the mutt-mitts, will do a press release and advertising. The kick-off date is set for March 3, 2007.

Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, discussed:

- Prescriptions for walking trails for a healthy life style from their doctor. The doctor fills out a prescription and gives their clients a brochure of all the trails in San Luis Obispo County. The Prescription for Trails project is being sponsored by the San Luis Obispo Country Parks and Recreation Administrators Association and should be completed by the end of this year.
- The San Luis Obispo County Parks and Recreation Commissioner’s Workshop and Hearst Castle tour on February 24 has been rescheduled to May 5, 2007. We had one member sign up from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS

Paula discussed and handed out information on:

- The Smart Growth workshop and handed out a flyer on CA Department of Education Physical Fitness results for the Gold Coast Region showing the percent of students overweight by city in 2005-06.

- Paula asked the Director for a copy of the LRS department budget and suggested this should go in the advisory committee orientation packets. Chairman Nash asked the Director to do a budget presentation at the March meeting.
- At the March 24 Salinas Parkway Grand Opening and Community Walk, the Parks-4-Pups are volunteering to give handouts to the public and dog owners. Our goal is to train the dog owners to pick up after their dogs by handing out mutt mitts, dog biscuits, and literature. Director will call Paula. Director discussed the two guided tours, water and map handouts and special events planned with D.J. Funk.

Rosalie discussed:

- Member term limits that expire in June 2007. Robert Gibson and David Steaffens advised they will not re-apply when their terms expire in June 30, 2007.
- Rosalie will not be at the March meeting.

ADJOURN

- A motion was made by Member Steaffens, seconded by Wolff, to adjourn the meeting at 5 p.m. to the following:
 - To the next Council Goal Setting Workshop on Thursday, February 15, 2007, 7:00 p.m. at the Library/City Hall Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles.
 - To the Salinas River Corridor Workshop on Thursday, February 28, 2007, 6:00 p.m. at the Library/City Hall Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles.
 - To the next regular meeting at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2007, 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 3/13/07 MEETING.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Agenda of 2/13/07