

MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

Centennial Park – Live Oak Room, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Moos called the meeting to order at 4: 03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Randal Moos, Karen Kinsell, Rosalie Wolff, Ralph Almirol, and Janice Watson
City staff present: Annie Robb, Judy O’Neal, and Vicky Jeffcoach
Absent: Doug Monn, Charles Lorenzen, and Charlotte Gorton
City Council present: John Hamon
Absent: Nick Gilman
Planning Commission present: Steve Gregory

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1-a. It was moved and seconded by Wolff/Kinsell to approve the Minutes of the Parks and Recreation regular meeting of August 11, 2009, and
- 1-b. The Minutes of the Joint Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and REC Foundation Workshop of August 26, 2009 on the Uptown/Town Centre Specific Plan Special - motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. **Update on Paso Robles Water Conservation Program**
 - Keith Larson, Water Conservation Manager, gave a presentation, distributed flyers and handouts, and answered questions.
3. **Community Garden Project**

Rosalie Wolff, member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, and Anna Rempel, are also both members of the Transition Paso Robles Food Group, a community interest group, gave a presentation to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee asking for support in developing a community demonstration garden on City property as a pilot program for one year. The group is interested in demonstrating water

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes of 9/8/09

conservation and providing food to the hungry. Through a graphic display, Anna showed a grassy area at Centennial Park where the garden is proposed and explained the various trees, plants, and vegetables that are to be phased in to the project. The idea is to provide public workshops that will be educational so people can produce their own gardens.

- It was moved and seconded by Kinsell/Watson to support the concept and principles of the Transition Paso Robles Food Group and City of Paso Robles partnership to establish a demonstration garden in Paso Robles – motion carried.

4. **2009/2010 Goals**

It was moved and seconded by Almirol/Watson to adopt the following 2009/2010 Goals motion carried.

- a) Encourage healthy and active lifestyles through the promotion of parks & recreation activities.
 - Each member commits to contacting/speaking to one service group, user group or similar audience to promote parks and recreation activities
 - As opportunities arise, participate in planning activities (Uptown/Town Center Specific Plan, Circulation element bike plan, countywide de Anza trail efforts, etc.)
- b) Communicate with user groups
 - Invite one user group to each meeting in order to better understand their activities and issues specific to their special interest. Reserve time at the beginning of each meeting for a presentation or discussion with group representatives.
- c) Promote cost efficient and resource efficient activities
 - Continue to support development of community volunteer efforts in parks and recreation.

CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

Vicky Jeffcoach, Recreation Coordinator – Youth & Teens, explained her first Clean and Repair Day scheduled for Saturday, October 17, from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at Barney Schwartz Park. Vicky will have a list of repairs to be done by volunteers and will provide a hot dog barbecue at noon. She would like to plan a similar event once a month and rotate volunteer work around city parks from BSP, Sherwood, Centennial, and City Parks. Now that school has started, Vicky is starting to get volunteers to sign up for her new program.

Director Robb discussed current events:

1. Senior Citizen - The Black Tie Bingo fundraiser is Saturday, September 12 at Centennial Park in the banquet room.
2. Recreation – The Fantasticks play will be September 18 & 19 at Centennial Park in the amphitheatre and is FREE to the public, sponsored by REC Foundation.

3. The City's Creek Clean-Up Day is Saturday, October 3, at Larry Moore Park to clean up the Salinas River bottom from 9-12 noon.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS - None

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded by Watson/Wolff to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, 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 11/10/09 MEETING