

EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
July 7, 2009
Council Chambers Conference Room

PRESENT: Chair Misty Reiss
Vice Chair Claudia Cook
Commissioner Doug Aschenbrenner
Commissioner Shari Nichols

Councilman Jeff Templeman
Assistant City Manager Ken Duran

ABSENT: Commissioner Rebecca Molle

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Reiss.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2009 AND MAY 5, 2009

Vice Chair Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of April 7, 2009 and May 5, 2009 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Aschenbrenner and passed unanimously.

TRAIL CLEAN-UP DAY

Mr. Duran explained that the trail clean-up day was cancelled due to the low number of RSVPs. He added that the Commissioners may want to discuss at a later date whether or not to try and schedule another event for next year.

Chair Reiss commented that maybe the Commissioners should be involved with other community events instead of hosting their own. As an example she suggested the Commission get more involved with the Rodeo. It was suggested to invite Don Green to the next meeting to discuss ways the Commission may have a presence with the Rodeo.

Vice Chair Cook suggested the Commission resume submitting Hoofbeats articles for the San Dimas Community News. She offered to write the first article.

COMMUNITY ARENA LIGHTS

Mr. Duran provided a background on the proposal for the community arena lights. He suggested that since the cell tower light project is gone, the Commission should prioritize

their recommendation for lights against other equestrian amenities at Horsethief Canyon Park.

Chair Reiss commented that the Rodeo Committee would like to have lights for evening Rodeo events.

Councilman Templeman suggested the Commission consider doing a needs assessment of possible amenities with priority ranking. Mr. Duran suggested reviewing the Park Master Plan at a future meeting.

RV (including trailers) PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Mr. Duran reported that at the last meeting it was reported the City Council was reviewing the existing prohibition on parking RV's and related vehicles, such as trailers, within the front yard set-back. He reported that the City Council recently discussed this issue and agreed to continue with the existing prohibition and directed staff to resume enforcement effective January 2, 2010. He also discussed how the ordinance will be enforced.

Councilman Templeman commented that he has heard that some people who live in the canyon believe that they are exempt, and can park their trailers in the front because of an emergency plan. He added that the City is not aware of any exemption. Chair Reiss commented that she did not feel there is any emergency need for an exemption.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilman Templeman reported that he has been working with the County to remove the graffiti and secure the old pump house at the top of the face trail. He encouraged having members of the community assist in reporting any vandalism or suspicious activity in that area.

Councilman Templeman reported on the status of the City Hall expansion and that the City adopted a balanced budget without any reduction in services. In response to a question, he reported on the approved project on the corner of Bonita and San Dimas Canyon Road and the status of the Grove station project.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no additional comments from Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

