

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF
May 15, 2012
Senior Citizen/Community Center

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairperson Margis at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

John Margis, Chairperson
Caryol Smith, Vice Chairperson
Susan Davis
Georgia Florentine
Jose Martinez
Amanda Avery

Theresa Bruns, Parks and Recreation Director
Leon Raya, Recreation Manager
Karon De Leon, Facilities Manager

Absent:

Frank Neal, excused

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 20, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2012 MEETING AS SUBMITTED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AVERY AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Preview of Summer Recreation Programs

Manager Raya distributed the Summer issue of the City's Frontier Newsletter. He highlighted such programs as: daycamps at Ladera Serra and Marchant Parks. He discussed the Teen City program conducted at the Swim & Racquet Club. He indicated that there would be a drop in, free of charge program offered at Pioneer Park as well as a summer lunch program there. Manager Raya encouraged the commissioners' attendance at the Music in the Park concerts that will begin Wednesday, June 13 and run for eight weeks with two weeks of Movies in the Park after the concert series. He informed the commission that there will be eight teen day trips, eight family day trips and seven adult trips offered during this season. The department is offering two family campouts scheduled at Horsethief Canyon Park, t-ball, adult softball and a variety of recreation classes for all ages. The Swim & Racquet Club will be offering swimming lessons, recreation swim, a swim team and water aerobics in addition to the regularly scheduled fitness activities during the summer.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Director of Parks and Recreation

1. Update on Walnut Creek Open Space

Director Brunns indicated that the tentatively scheduled joint meeting of the Equestrian, Planning and Park and Recreation commissions has been postponed until the consultant has completed their report, this is anticipated in three to four weeks, and then the meeting will be scheduled.

Commissioner Margis requested that a scribe be present at this meeting and that the commission would not be asked to make a recommendation until after they have had an opportunity to discuss all of the community input. Director Brunns indicated that the City Council will be looking for a recommendation from the commissions on this project.

2. Update on Heroes Memorial Project

Director Brunns informed the commission that the Heroes organization is moving forward with the second phase of the project. This will include the water feature component. She reminded the commission that the organization has requested a bench and a trash receptacle to be included in the City's 2012-13 fiscal year budget for the site. Director Brunns commented that upcoming budget year is going to be very lean due to the elimination of Redevelopment Agency funding.

3. Commission Term Expirations

Director Brunns announced that Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Florentine and Commissioner Smith have served their allotted terms. She thanked them for their support and involvement on the commission over the past years, and indicated that she hoped they would continue to remain involved by volunteering at future Department activities.

4. Calendar of Upcoming Events

The calendar for the months of May through July was distributed. Manager Raya highlighted the upcoming Jr. High School Dance, the Spring Recital, the Bowser Bash and reminded the commissioners that summer programs begin June 11.

B. Members of the Audience

None.

C. Members of the Commission

Commissioner Martinez commented that he appreciated the wide selection of activities offered to the community during the summer.

Commissioner Smith indicated that it had been a fast six years on the commission, but she will continue to remain involved. She reported that a Bark for Life American Cancer Society activity is scheduled at Horsethief Canyon Park during the month of June.

Commissioner Avery announced that San Dimas High School would be conducting an E-waste collection in the high school parking lot.

Commissioner Davis commented that she attended the Heroes Clydesdale event and it was a great activity for the community.

Commissioner Florentine mentioned that it has been a wonderful experience serving as a commissioner; she has enjoyed all of the events and activities.

Commissioner Margis announced that he attended the Bracket Bird adventure event and it was very nice.

D. City Council Liaison

None.

ADJOURNMENT

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:35 P.M.



Karon De Leon, Facilities Manager