

MINUTES
PLACENTIA RECREATION AND
PARKS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
February 10, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bartelt, Dougherty, Granger, Hunt, Newman
Absent: Emrick, Jackson
Staff Present: Steve Pischel, Director of Administrative & Community Services
Jon Nicks, Deputy Director of Community Services
Maria Elena Maurer, Community Services Coordinator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Commissioner Granger

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None in attendance

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS - Commissioner Bartelt commented about the article in the newspaper where Staff Pischel is quoted regarding the City's community events and the collaboration with non-profit groups on community services programs.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – January 13, 2014

Approval of Minutes will be postponed due to lack of quorum.

2. **MONTHLY REPORT**

Staff Nicks reported that the Spring issue of the Placentia Quarterly had been mailed to all Placentia homes. Priority registration for residents starts on Tuesday, February 18 at 7:30 am in City Hall or at midnight when online registration opens. With 8 teams registered, Adult Basketball and Futsal began league play on February 4. The excursion to the Wizard of Oz at the Sergerstrom Center for the Arts on Sunday, February 23, 2014, still has tickets available for \$65/person.

Staff Nicks and Pischel encouraged the Commissioners to attend the Community Workshop, regarding the budget stabilization, taking place on Wednesday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Backs Bldg. This will be a good opportunity to hear the information on the City's current fiscal situation and share ideas. All feedback from those in attendance will be brought back to City Council. Commissioner Dougherty asked if the Assistant City Administrator's position had been filled. Staff Pischel responded that this position was open for recruitment. A part-time contractor currently oversees the Planning, Building and Economic Development divisions. In addition, recruitments for the Finance position is also taking place.

Staff Nicks indicated that the School District has invited the staff, the City of Yorba Linda and all the Sports User Groups to a meeting on Thursday, February 13

at the School District office, to discuss the proposed fees for the High School fields and the Performing Arts Complex. The School District will also discuss changes to their allocation policy and take feedback as they have proposed implementation of these fees in July.

3. PARKS AND FACILITY PROJECT UPDATES -

Staff Nicks reported that Staff had applied for a grant through the State to renovate the Backs Community Building and to make it multi-use. The grant is for \$2 million and it allows three years to come up with the 50% match that is required. Staff believes a strong application was submitted. Commissioner Newman suggested that our State Representative be made aware of our application and request his support.

Koch Park cell site proposal is moving forward with AT&T and is about a month away from starting construction just north of the picnic shelters. Verizon was provided with the comments made by the Commission regarding Goldenrod and they will be looking at other options. AT&T request to co-locate at Kraemer Park will go through Planning Commission. They are requesting to make the tower 20' higher due to higher elevation being required for reception. More information will be provided at the next Commission meeting.

Staff Nicks noted that the Skate Park proposal has not had much progress. Private investors would be needed to go forward with this project.

4. REVIEW OF PARKS AND FACILITIES STUDY/PARK ASSIGNMENTS

Commissioner Dougherty stated that Staff had send out the Power Point Template to use and update the Parks & Facilities Study creating a "new look". Staff will be able to help those that need assistance taking the pictures for their particular sites. Commission can review the information provided at the March meeting. Staff Pischel noted that by adding a picture of what the issue or problem may be, the information will be very helpful when addressing capital improvement budgets and for future planning and fundamental maintenance.

Commissioner Newman shared photos of Goldenrod and Arroyo Verde parks.

PARK INSPECTION REPORTS -

Commissioner Granger reported Los Vaqueros Park flood control channel is overgrown and this may become a flooding problem. She commented that, overall, the maintenance of the parks has improved and they look better. Commissioner Newman commented that at Arroyo Verde Park people are driving over the curb with their vehicles to the picnic area since the bollard was removed.

Commissioner Granger suggested that people be encouraged to report any problems they encounter at City's parks and facilities by placing a small paragraph in the Quarterly or the website.

STAFF COMMENTS –

Commissioner Dougherty reminded everyone about the Commission/Committee Reception on Thursday, February 27 at the Powell Bldg. Commissioners Dougherty, Newman, Bartelt, Granger and Hunt will be able to attend.

AGENDA BUILDING AND MEETING SCHEDULE –

Monthly Report, Park Study Evaluations, Budget Update, School District Meeting Update.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, **MOTION** by Commissioner Hunt to adjourn to Monday, March 10, 2014 regular meeting; **SECOND** by Commissioner Newman and **CARRIED** by a **5-0-0-2 VOICE VOTE** (Jackson, Emrick, Absent). Meeting adjourned on February 10, 2014 at 7:55 p.m.

Maria Elena Maurer, Recording Secretary
Recreation and Parks Commission