

CITY OF BISHOP

Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

November 28, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: The Parks and Recreation Commission met on November 28, 2007, the meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the City of Bishop Council Chambers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONERS Cheryl McDermott-Stanford, Barry Simpson and John Weatherford

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Kellie Hallenbeck and Lee Cox excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Caldwell, Community Services Director, and Annette Blackwood, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

STAFF REPORT:

1. Skate Park hours were changed from hourly to daily with Monday being shared. The previous scheduled hours were unenforceable. Commissioner Simpson advised that he distributed flyers at the Elementary Schools and forwarded the information to the High School.
2. Security camera should be installed within 2 weeks. Trenching is complete and cable in place.
3. Adult basketball at the High School is very popular. There is also talk of starting a basketball league.
4. Would like the Commission to consider having two meetings a month after the holidays to be able to work on the ~~5-Year~~ Master Plan. This would give us an opportunity to invite different organizations to speak in depth on what they would like to see in the ~~5-year~~ plan.
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5. The park staff have been sent to training to provide educational opportunities for better qualified staff. Steve Blair has attended numerous pesticide training. Fred Tormohlen attended a maintenance workshop that included park planning. It would be an idea to include the park staff in the 5 year planning. Commissioner McDermott-Stanford thought that including staff with their input on their vision and needs would be helpful since they are there everyday and know what is needed.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Caldwell met with a representative from Little League to obtain more information regarding the proposal of a field at Yaney and Spruce. Director Caldwell advised him that the City is attempting to purchase the land from DWP and things might be redesigned if that should happen.

Commissioner Simpson advised he heard that there was a possibility of ball fields at the Fairgrounds. Director Caldwell said that he heard the same and if that happened the design of the Park could change.

Director Caldwell asked if the Commissioner would be interested in no smoking in the park or have a smoke-free area. The Commissioners agreed that that it would be a good idea to have a smoke free area in the playgrounds and grass areas.

The Pool Replastering Project is complete with \$904 left from that project. That will included in the current project or another smaller project. We are photographing all the projects for the grant so that we can forward them to the State plus keep a record for the City.

Commissioner Simpson advised that the Elementary School is working on a solar project that could save the district up to \$600,000 over 15 years. It would take about 1 acre to erect the equipment which would take away a field for the youth organizations to play sports which would be something to consider when planning the park and more ball fields.

ITEMS FROM THE
COMMISSION:

Commissioner McDermott-Stanford inquired about a cable that is over the tennis courts. Director Caldwell advised that it is the internet cable to operate the security system. Also she thought that having two meetings a month would be a good use of time for planning the ~~5-Year~~ Master Plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other items on the agenda, the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 5:54 p.m. to December 18, 2007 at 5:15 p.m.

Approved as changed Dec 18, 2007 meeting
Barry Simpson, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Annette Blackwood, Community Services
Secretary