

CITY OF BISHOP

Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

November 19, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The Parks and Recreation Commission met on November 19, 2008 the meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the City of Bishop Council Chambers.

COMMISSIONERS: Commissioners Cheryl McDermott, Barry Simpson, John Weatherford, Kellie Hallenbeck and Lee Cox were present

ABSENT
COMMISSIONERS: None

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

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES: The minutes of the October 22, 2008, Park and Recreation Commission were approved as written.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

STAFF REPORT: 1. Tom Sherry was introduced as a new tennis instructor for the City. Free tennis clinics will be offered once a month for all ages through spring.

2. DWP lease is on Gene Coufal's desk to be signed. It will be a 40-year lease and the City will no longer have to notify DWP when improvements are made. The irrigation was approved by DWP for the new field area.

3. Flag Football was very popular and the tournament will be starting this weekend for 3 weeks.

Adult basketball will begin in December for practice and league will start January 5, 2009.

Kids Night Out is a program for children grades Kindergarten through Fifth Grade. It will be offered December 6, December 13 and December 20 from 5 p.m. through 9 p.m. Parents can drop off their children and shop while the children watch movies and make gifts. The cost will be \$5.00 per child and be supervised by City approved volunteers. McDonald's offered to provide meals for each night. Inyo Council for

the Arts is assisting and the program will be in the Friendship Center. Inyo Council for the Arts would like to continue this program through February.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: 1. A tree program for the trees in the City Park has been implemented. Trees will be identified and categorized. Trees along the new field and field 4 have been planted which were donated by DWP tree program. The tree in Talmage Park has recently been replaced with a Blue Spruce per Hospice's request.

2. Backboards and bench are in for the tennis courts.

ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION: Commissioner Weatherford inquired about the Eagle Scout projects. Director Caldwell advised that the kiosks have been ordered and will be delivered to the park in 3 to 4 weeks.

Commissioner Stanford-McDermott inquired and was advised that Trevor Taylor finally got his project approved so he can move forward with the community garden at Sunrise Mobile Home Park.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other items on the agenda, the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 5:50 p.m. to January 28, 2009 at 5:15 p.m. in the Bishop City Council Chambers.

Barry Simpson, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Annette Blackwood, Community Services Secretary