

CITY OF BISHOP

Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

October 21, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: The Parks and Recreation Commission met on October 21, 2009, the meeting was called to order at 5:15pm in the City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONERS Cheryl McDermott-Stanford, John Weatherford, Lee Cox, Kellie Hallenbeck

COMMISSIONERS
ABSENT: Barry Simpson

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Caldwell, Community Services Director, Karey Poole, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES: Motion made by Commissioner Weatherford to approve the minutes for September 23, 2009. 2nd by Commissioner McDermott-Stanford, approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS: 1. Year Round Pool Facilities-

Keith gave a recap of the last meetings Public Comment for the possibility of a Year Round Pool Facility. He said that currently the group does not have everything ready and has requested to be placed on the agenda after the 1st of the year. He shared that one full time person with benefits is over \$100,000 per year. He also let the Commission know that a spreadsheet has been provided with information on the expenditures for the pool and staff from Fiscal Year 08/09 for Commission to review.

2. DWP Lease Update

Keith shared with the Commission that the Lease for DWP had made it to the Energy and Environment Committee a subsection of the Los Angeles City Council, where 4 Council Members attend, only two members were in attendance, there was not a quorum. It was moved forward, with approval of both Council Members that were in attendance, to the agenda for this Friday for the Los Angeles City Council. There are 15 City Council positions, one is vacant, they need 10 for a quorum. Rick is going to make another trip to again represent our City and answer any questions that may arise.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

STAFF REPORT:

Program Update-

Fall programs are wrapping up, our Gymnastics is in the middle of its second session, our first session went really well, and our second session is expected to do just as well. Keith shared that he would be sitting down with Alix and Karey to put together a Gymnastics Holiday Camp set for the second week of Christmas break.

We don't have a place for the Kids Night Out because of the Friendship Center is no longer available. We may work with Inyo Council for the Arts so the kids can come and make gifts for their family. The goal is to allow some extra time for parents to finish up on shopping for Christmas. They are looking at possibilities for a place to put it on, he will have more information in the next few weeks and he can let the Commission know.

Commissioner McDermott asked if we were going to do a Babysitting Camp. Keith stated that he hasn't fully followed thru on that, one of the Council Members is certified to teach so it may open up some doors for that.

Keith updated the Commission on the selection process for two candidates for the the full time positions. There were over 150 applications and he feels the right choices were made. He can't share any further information until it goes thru the full hiring process and background. Keith feels that it is going to be an exciting change and that the new staff will be more involved in the meetings. It's a good time for Parks and Recreation with the forward movement of the Master Plan and the possibilities of other grant options out there.

Keith stated that Flagfootball has about four weeks to go, its going well.

ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Commissioner McDermott feels that its good to post information on the website as well as the Minutes and Agenda. Karey shared that Public Works had updated the website thru a new program and there had been some confusion on how to make it all come together again. The webpage itself was finally squared away, and she was getting some help to figure

out how to get the updated Minutes and Agendas posted and get some of the smaller details taken care of. Commissioner Hallenbeck pointed out that the person on the skateboard in the picture has no helmet.

Commissioner Cox asked if the Youth Sports planned meeting had occurred and asked Karey to email him for notification of these meetings.

He also shared that there is going to be a new Little League Board, and that it appeared that the Reisons were both going to be a part of that.

Commissioner McDermott asked how the Park Path meeting for Public Works turned out. Keith said that its on the agenda for Monday night for the City Council meeting, there will be a Public Hearing to allow the public to share concerns on the matter. Commissioner McDermott shared her concern that the public may not fully understand that there is a Master Plan and the reason why the area was chosen for the path thru the park. Keith said he would be in attendance to be able to answer any questions and will explain that when DWP approves the new lease contract the City can begin to work with an architect.

Commissioner Hallenbeck said that she had a citizen come to her regarding Volleyball and what the possibility would be to have it in the Auditorium. Keith said that we could not do it in the Auditorium due to our other programs, however there was the possibility of a free play in the gymnasium at the Highschool. Availability would depend on the school's schedule. Commissioner McDermott asked if the contact was someone who uses the courts. Commissioner Hallebeck said she didn't think so, but this person frequents the park and saw the diverse interactions of those who were playing together. Commissioner McDermott said that we just don't hear from those who use the courts. Keith said that he has actually heard from quite a few, they have requested sand and new nets to play on, its getting some good use.

Commissioner Hallenbeck asked if we could do a wellness page and have access to it online.

Keith asked the Commission what the thoughts were on cancelling the meetings for November and December due to the holidays. It was decided as long as there was no pressing business, the next meeting will be held January 27th at 5:15pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

This meeting was adjourned at 5:46pm. The meeting will reconvene January 27th at the City Council Chambers at 5:15pm.

Kellie Hallenbeck, Chair
Secretary

ATTEST: _____
Karey Poole, Comm. Serv.