

CITY OF BISHOP

Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

May 22, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: The Parks and Recreation Commission met on May 22nd, 2013 the meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm at the City Council Chambers, 301 W. Line St, Bishop, Ca.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONERS Kellie Hallenbeck, John Weatherford, Lee Cox and Cheryl Underhill

COMMISSIONERS
ABSENT: Thom Batchelder

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director, Karey Poole, Recording Secretary, Dan McElroy, Parks Supervisor, and Waylon Cleland, Recreation Supervisor

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES: Motion made by Commissioner Underhill to approve the minutes for April 24th, 2013 and the Retreat minutes from April 24th, 2013 motion made to approve by Commissioner Weatherford, second by Commissioner Underhill, approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS: **Recap from Retreat-**
As part of the recap from the retreat, Keith asked the Commission to start thinking about the Master Plan as it will be revisited over the next few months and request the public to come out and give ideas. Commissioner Hallenbeck also asked for another review of the ordinances that would need to be changed to allow for vendors in the park.

NEW BUSINESS: **Roller Hockey proposal, Jessica Allmon-**
On behalf of Sierra Roller Hockey, Jessica Allmon presented the commission with a proposal to build a multi-use area that would also allow for roller hockey year round. Jessica included a detailed packet of specs and costs that were provided to the commissioners. Discussion ensued regarding care and maintenance, cost of upkeep and other logistics that could be a financial burden. Allmon concluded that with

the amount of participants that are involved and the volunteers that would help, the costs would be offset to the City. The group is really looking for a permanent home. Discussion continued with placement of such an area and the possibility of combining it with the Community Center idea that has come back to fruition. The commission was all in agreeance to work more with Sierra Roller Hockey to see if a place could be provided and get an idea of the other details involved. It was also decided to include Sierra Roller Hockey in the meeting for the Community Center Committee.

STAFF REPORT:

Programs –

Waylon shared that the pool opened the first week of May as well as softball getting off the ground the same time frame.

Softball has been going five nights a week and summer camps have been nearly as busy with the first rolling the week after school got out.

Movies in the Park have returned, Gamer Baseball camp is back and the first session of swim lessons is on the horizon.

A flyer has been provided in the packet for all the upcoming programs and events including the Dive in Movie the last Sunday of the month and the swim invitational on the 22nd.

All this after the Mule Days Holiday week.

Facilities-

Dan shared that pool prep has been hard pushed for the last couple of days to prepare for the holiday weekend. The winds have not made things easy. Commissioner Weatherford asked if there was a plan in place for safety measures. Keith said that as a public area, they go in the wind by their own choice and risk.

Dan shared that there was a large wedding in the rear of the park that went off without a hitch. Ball fields continue to be maintained and the Tennis Courts have been busy with preparations for the upcoming two day tournament. After the Mule Days holiday staff will refocus on Sunrise Mobile Home Park and get that back on track.

Lastly an Arboretum Committee will be created from the existing Tree Committee to focus strictly on the park area.

ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Commissioner Underhill inquired on the hours that the lifeguards were working and the numbers of lifeguards. Keith shared that with the upcoming Affordable Health Care Act that the city hired as needed in order to keep hours below 30 a week to stay within the restraints of the act. She also stated that the Lions and Rotary are always looking for projects, possibly upgrading the rear restrooms. Keith shared that the Chambers restrooms need to be done first and the staff is currently working on plans for that project.

Commissioner Hallenbeck asked about Mad Dogs and the movement they have been having to make. Keith shared that there was an issue with his current location, so they moved him to Academy by Talmage Park. Then there was an issue there with him, so he was able to work it out so he could return to his first location. Keith is trying to work with the local businesses to find a good location for him.

Commissioner Weatherford said that he and Commissioner Batchelder are going to be measuring the area behind Field 4 in preparation for the BMX area on Monday.

ADJOURMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm to reconvene on July 10th at 12:00pm at the City Park.

Kellie Hallenbeck, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Karey Poole, Comm. Serv. Secretary