



PARKS AND RECREATION

Sonya K. Harrigfeld, Director
Margarita D. Ramos, Deputy Director
Ron West, Chairman
George Sharp, Vice Chairman

MOTION: _____
SECOND: _____

STANISLAUS COUNTY PARK COMMISSION August 14, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Betty Parker
Ron West
Warren Brumley
Ismael Saldana
David Fransen

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Amanda Fife
Cathy Gomez
Margarita D. Ramos
Sonya K. Harrigfeld

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Patricia Segoviano De Pier

GUESTS PRESENT:

Supervisor Jim DeMartini

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

- Chair Ron West called the meeting to order.
- Roll call: excused absences were received for Patricia Segoviano De Pier in July's meeting.

B. MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF WARREN BRUMLEY

- Members acknowledged Warren Brumley's dedication and diligent work for the community. Cathy Gomez will develop a letter to inform Mrs. Brumley of today's moment of silence for Warren Brumley.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Ron West

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes for the July 10, 2008 meeting were approved upon motion and second with change to add David Fransen as an excused absence received for July's meeting.

ACTIONS

__Parker, West,
unanimous approval

E. CORRESPONDENCE (S)

- None.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

F. REVIEW OF NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA & OCTOBER'S EVENT

- Next month's Central Modesto area tour will consist of the Gallo Center for the Arts, Modesto Court House, and the Modesto Library. A carpool van will leave 3800 Cornucopia at 2:30 p.m. and arrive at Gallo Center for the Arts approximately 3:00 p.m. Members and the public may meet before 2:30 p.m. at 3800 Cornucopia Way to carpool or meet directly at the Gallo Center for the Arts location at 3:00 p.m. The Park Commission meeting will resume at 3800 Cornucopia Way after the tour.
- Members discussed the option of having the October meeting out at the Frank Raines Off Highway Vehicle (FROHV) Park during the California Off Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) event in the last weekend of October.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Margarita Ramos/Mae
Song

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PARK COMMISSION**

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G. STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATE

ACTIONS & REPORTER

1. Modesto Reservoir: Waterfowl Blind Draw went well. "Authorized Vehicle Only" signs were installed at Rocky Point day use area. Air conditioning unit at the Sheriff's Office was repaired. There was a second drowning occurrence on August 5th. Water level is still very low affecting revenue for the season. Other attractions to the park were discussed, i.e. archery and other clubs. A potential hazard of a broken branch at the Old La Grange bridge was removed. General weed and mow maintenance at the cemeteries. OHV park is slow right now. Kiwanis Youth Camp has been reserved for August 16th.
2. Woodward Reservoir: Gravel has been placed around parking lots and around the vaulted restrooms. The currently closed concessionaire building is inoperable at this time. Members discussed the potential and priority of future concessionaires at the reservoirs. "Staycation" has attracted many visitors to Woodward Reservoir this season.
3. Community Parks/County Center: No new updates.
4. Administration: Applied for a \$50,000 Stewardship Council grant for the Empire Pool to be distributed in the first year for 800 free swimming lessons to be provided by the Police Activities League (PAL) and pool maintenance. Year Two would provide for an additional 800 free swimming lessons.

Tom Dias

Jeff Potter

Margarita Ramos

Cathy Gomez

H. PARKS MASTER PLAN REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

ACTIONS & REPORTER

1. Discussed and reviewed the Special Issues section in the Parks Master Plan beginning on page 111 pertaining to reservoirs and drinking water quality, collaboration with the Irrigation Districts.

Ms. Ramos suggested continued discussion of this Special Issues section at the next meeting.

Margarita Ramos

Add to agenda item

I. NEW BUSINESS

ACTIONS & REPORTER

1. David Fransen shared information of an upcoming event in Turlock of the Miracle Dream Baseball Field. It is a rubberized baseball field for handicapped children to play in which currently exist in Fresno and the bay area. Program was introduced at the city council meetings with an extended invitation to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors.

David Fransen

J. COMMISSION COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

ACTIONS & REPORTER

1. Betty Parker shared that she would like to represent District 1 instead of being listed as *At Large* at the beginning of her new term next year.

Betty Parker will contact the Board of Supervisors.

K. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Parks Commission will be held on:

Thursday, September 11, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. (Note: Tour begins at 2:30pm)
3800 Cornucopia Way, 2nd Floor
Modesto, CA 95358