



PARK COMMISSION

*Chad Kennedy, Chair
Judy Loretelli, Vice Chair
Jami Aggers, Director, Parks and Recreation
Merry Rorabaugh, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreation*

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358-9492
Phone (209) 525-6750 Fax (209) 525-6773

AGENDA

Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Parks and Recreation
3800 Cornucopia Way
2nd Floor Conference Room
Modesto, CA

Call Meeting to Order:

The Stanislaus County Park Commission encourages public participation and welcomes the public's interest. Members of the public may be heard on any item of the Stanislaus County Park Commission's agenda. A person addressing the Commission will be limited to five (5) minutes, unless the Chairperson of the commission grants a longer period of time. The Commission will allow comments by members of the public on an agenda item only during consideration of the item.

Agenda Items:

1. Call to Order	Chair
2. Roll Call and Excused Absences	
3. Introduction(s)	
4. Public Comment(s)	
5. Approval of Minutes for April 10, 2014 Meeting (There was no meeting in February.)	Commissioners
6. Old Business	
7. Commission Goals	Commissioners
a. Enhance Board Communications	
b. Training and Education for Commissioners	
i. Glossaries and Acronyms	
8. Staff Report	
a. Monthly Staff Report	
9. Commission Comment(s)	Commissioners
10. Members due dates for Ethics training:	Commissioners
i. Ron West-11/29/2014	
ii. Judy Loretelli-10/24/2014	

Online Course Information Link:

<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=477> (To take the course, you will find in the middle of the webpage a button labeled "Local Ethics Online Training (FREE)". Please note that you will be required to have an e-mail to take the course online.)

11. Adjournment, the next meeting will be on:

Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
Department of Parks and Recreation
3800 Cornucopia Way
2nd Floor Conference Room
Modesto, CA

Please notify the Department of Parks and Recreation at 525-6723 to let us know if you *will* be attending this meeting and/or require special accommodation for access or transportation to the meeting.

Agendas can also be found online at <http://www.stancounty.com/er/parks/parks-recreation-commission.shtm> subject to staff's ability to post prior to the meeting. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the main office of the Department of Parks and Recreation, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358.



PARK COMMISSION
Chad Kennedy, Chair
Judy Loretelli, Vice Chair
Jami Aggers, Director, Parks and Recreation
Merry Rorabaugh, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreation

MINUTES
April 10, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
 Modesto, CA 95358

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chad Kennedy, ATL
 Judith Loretelli, ATL
 AnnaMarie Hallinan, D5
 Betty Parker, D1
 Ron West, D4

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Jami Aggers
 Cathy Gomez
 Mae Song

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brent Bohlender, D2

GUESTS PRESENT:

Supervisor Jim DeMartini

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

- The meeting was called to order. Those in attendance introduced themselves.

ACTIONS

Chair

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comment was received.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

C. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the March 13, 2014 meeting were approved upon motion and second.

ACTIONS

*West, Loretelli,
 unanimous approval*

E. OLD BUSINESS

- Hatch Park Project: The Hatch Park baseball field project is still in progress. The Department has conducted several meetings consisting of several key stakeholders and the community. Maintenance plans will include assigned volunteers who are specifically designated for the maintenance of this baseball field. The Department will provide the necessary maintenance supplies and storage for the volunteers to use. A ribbon-cutting ceremony is planned upon project completion. The ceremony plans will include working with PAL on a kids' field trip day to introduce the proud beginning and first use of the new ball field. The field size will be limited to the surrounding basin area, which may limit the size of this field. Some of the plan layout details will have cement in the dugout areas; others include surrounding fencing, five-tier bleachers, infield grass, parking lot, scoreboard, flagpole, pitcher mounds, and many more. Further discussions include the field's capacity to fit various leagues. A suggestion was made to coordinate the ribbon cutting ceremony with a Park Commission meeting so that members can also see the PAL after-school building.
- Bonita Ranch Park: New plans are in place to install soccer goals for a full-size playing field.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Cathy Gomez

F. STAFF REPORTS

- The monthly May staff report was provided.
- A question was asked if the County enacts any water conservation regulations. The Department is not a provider of water services; however, they do share the information received from the State relating to the public water systems they operate.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Jami Aggers

- 3. The Department provided a volunteer appreciation luncheon to volunteers on April 8th. There currently fourteen active volunteers and various one-time volunteers and group volunteers.
- 4. A question was asked on what the Commission can do in regards to fundraising. The Department will follow-up with what Counsel had previously stated.

G. COMMISSIONER GOALS

ACTIONS & REPORTER

- 1. Commissioners reviewed highlights from the previous year’s progress, which included: mural policy, vendor/concession discussions, fees recommendations, Fairview Park renovation partnership with the community, fundraising for Empire Pool, CIP recommendations, vandalism and rodent control suggestions for various parks.
- 2. Commissioners discussed goals and priorities for the upcoming fiscal year, which will include: enhancing Board communication, which may include recommendations of ongoing developments, continued staffing, volunteer programs, funding of projects and structural maintenance, Board supporting staff needs, etc.; additional goals include, increasing outreach for community input and partnership opportunities, obtain a compiled list from Park’s staff of the County’s acronyms, contribute to increasing public awareness of park facilities and amenities—“blast” marketing suggestion to customers. The Commission will list one goal to tackle each month.

Chad Kennedy

__ Ron will assist in drafting a letter addressed to the Board of Supervisors for the Commission Chair to sign.

__Place on next agenda goal 1 and goal 3.

Commission Summary of Main Goals:

- 1. Enhance Board communication
- 2. Increase partnerships
- 3. Training and education for Commissioners
- 4. Increase awareness of parks

H. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Parks Commission will be held on:

Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.
 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
 Modesto, CA 95358

PREPARED BY: *Mae Song, Confidential Assistant III* (209) 525-6723

Agendas can also be found online at <http://www.stancounty.com/parks/parks-recreation-commission.shtm> subject to staff’s ability to post prior to the meeting. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the main office of the Department of Parks and Recreation, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358.

COMMUNITY PARKS/COUNTY CENTERS by Amanda Fife:

1. **Fairview Park:** Picnic tables and BBQ grills have been ordered. The pedestal grills should be shipped any day. We will wait to install them after the tables are delivered. The tables and family style BBQ's have about a six week lead time for delivery.
2. **Laird Park:** We are starting to see a few reservations for the new picnic shelter. A large group used it on Easter Sunday. We have one reservation for May and several more through the summer months.
3. **Frank Raines OHV:** The new water system is now complete and functioning properly. The California Department of Public Health has lifted the boil water order and the signage that was posted throughout the park is being/has been removed.
4. **RWSTC:** Staff has been working on getting the pool ready for the annual inspection. PAL has contacted us regarding their anticipated dates for using the pool. They plan to do some training with their staff starting May 19, 2014. We don't have a confirmed date for public swim but PAL usually starts that around the Memorial Day weekend.

MODESTO RESERVOIR by Tom Dias:

1. Yahi Bowmen have an archery tournament scheduled for May 20th.
2. Currently working on training new seasonal staff, sprinkler repairs, & getting the park ready for summer.
3. The water level at the lake is currently 22'

La Grange Regional Park:

1. Kiwanis Youth camp is reserved two weekends in May.
2. The new LaGrange gateway sign is almost completed. The LaGrange Improvement Association and volunteers made this happen.
3. Someone removed the locks on the gate at the Dredge and Kiwanis Youth Camp. They have been replaced.

WOODWARD RESERVOIR by Cheryl Jackson:

- No report this month.

ADMINISTRATION by Cathy Gomez:

Hatch Field:

1. Finished the gopher and squirrel abatement – A monthly maintenance will begin the first of May 2014
2. Removed the fence that ran between the PAL building and the Hatch Field
3. Purchase Order was completed and waiting on a delivery of the items purchased

4th of July:

1. Completion of Contracts/Board Reports etc.

OHV Grant:

1. Grants for both facilities was completed and sent on April 29, 2014.
 2. G13-03-20-G01 Ground Operations – Frank Raines \$309,563 Grant Request
 3. G1303-20-G02 Ground Operations – La Grange \$116,950 Grant Request
- TOTAL ASK \$426,513