



PARK COMMISSION

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AGENDA

Thursday, July 9, 2015 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 June 11, 2015 Meeting	Commissioners
6.	Staff Report	Staff
7.	Old Business	
8.	Commission Comment(s)	Commissioners
9.	Special Member Election for Vice Chair to Fill Current Vacancy	
10.	Commission Goals	Commissioners
	a. Commission Goals	
	b. Board Update Letter – Draft	

Adjournment, the next meeting will be on: Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.
Location: 3800 Cornucopia Way, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Modesto, CA 95358

Commission Goals:

1. Enhance Board Communication
2. Increase Partnerships
3. Training and Education for Commissioners
4. Increase Awareness of Parks

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MINUTES
June 11, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
Modesto, CA 95358

MEMBERS PRESENT:

AnnaMarie Hallinan, D5
Betty Parker, D1
Ron West, D4
Joseph Sanchez, D3

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Merry Mayhew
Mae Song

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chad Kennedy, ATL

GUESTS PRESENT:

John Alvarado (In partnership with Manos Unidos)

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order. An excused absence was received for Chad Kennedy. Judy Loretelli's resignation as of April was acknowledged; the At-Large district and district 2 are currently vacant.

ACTIONS

AnnaMarie Hallinan

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph Sanchez, on behalf of the Manos Unidos community group, addressed the lack of restrooms at Fairview Park to be the community's biggest concern. The group is interested in providing volunteer labor and maintenance work to contribute to an operating restroom in the park. The discussion touched on repetitive vandalism concerns. Fencing the restroom as a preventive measure was brought up. It was also noted the likeliness of required licensing/certification on specialty field of work including volunteers. The group may consult with Supervisor Jim DeMartini.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Joseph Sanchez

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the March 12, 2015 meeting were approved upon motion and second as written. (There were no meeting in April and May.)

ACTIONS

West, Parker, unanimous approval

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. The next fiscal year's proposed budget was approved for six additional park maintenance worker positions, vandalism repair costs, restroom maintenance, vehicle replacements, smart irrigation systems, and other repairs. Funds were also allocated for PAL; this will cover Grayson, Keyes, and Oregon Park programs. Other items not approved were road repair costs and the requested deferred maintenance.
2. A question was raised whether properties were covered for vandalism occurrences such as the restrooms. County insurance has a \$10,000 deductible. A brief discussion covered repetitive vandalisms on restrooms in parks. Due to high vandalism of restrooms, replacement or repairs may not be considered as a priority without the support of the community.
3. The Department marketing plan is expected to run next year with anticipation for positive revenue results.
4. Overall revenue is down from last year. Woodward Reservoir is one of the more popular recreational facilities bringing in top revenue.
5. A recent report was just received on a fire in the Fox Grove fishing access area.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

Merry Mayhew

6. A donation was received for a preservation coating service on the Chief Estanislao structure and fountain in downtown Modesto from Tony Mistlin. This preservation repair is expected to last another twenty years.
7. The Department was awarded the OHV grants on a preliminary basis with a thirty day waiting period. Frank Raines received approximately \$500,000 and La Grange \$300,000. The OHV parks have been frequented by various OHV events/groups.
8. Drought regulations has County operated facilities down to two days of watering per week. Several and ongoing reports are received on water bursting from vandalized sprinkler heads.
9. The Dept.'s Facebook pages, listed by site, are now up and running. Content posting is still a work in progress for some sites.

E. OLD BUSINESS**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

AnnaMarie plans to draft a thank you letter to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Commission. Ron West will review the draft once completed.

AnnaMarie Hallinan

F. COMMISSION COMMENTS**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

Joseph Sanchez has been assisting the Manos Unidos Community group as their president and advisor in the efforts of improving Fairview Park. Joseph reports helping bridge communication between the community and agencies on matters of progress and safety. The group has met and is in the process of obtaining a petition to support the restroom proposal. The Dept. and the Commission encouraged the group to submit a sound proposal for consideration. At this time, there are no funds available for new restrooms in neighborhood parks.

Joseph Sanchez

G. COMMISSION GOALS**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

This section was tabled.

H. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Parks Commission will be held on, **Thursday, July 9, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.**, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358.

PREPARED BY: Mae Song, Park Commission Secretary

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