



PARK COMMISSION

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AGENDA

Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, 2nd Floor Conference Room
 Modesto, CA 95358

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	
	a. Excused Absence Received in Advance for Zachary Keller	
3.	Introduction(s)	
4.	Public Comment(s)	
5.	Approval of Minutes for June 8, 2017 Meeting	Commissioners
6.	Staff Highlights	Staff
7.	Old Business	
8.	Commission Comment(s)	Commissioners

**Adjournment, the next meeting will be on:
 Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, 2nd Floor
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Standing Reminders:

- a. July is Parks Month
- b. Annual 700 Forms Due
- c. Ethics Course Reminder (Compliance met)
 - Online: <http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx>

Commission Goals:

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

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MINUTES
June 8, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

Stanislaus Building, 2nd Floor
 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
 Modesto, CA 95358

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Zachary Keller, D2
 Joseph Sanchez, D3
 Ron West, D4
 Veronica Plaughner-Macias, D5
 Chad Kennedy, ALT
 Ed Persike, ALT

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Merry Mayhew
 James Pursley

MEMBERS ABSENT:

GUESTS PRESENT:

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

1. The meeting was called to order and those in attendance were noted.
2. An advance excused absence was received for the upcoming meeting in July for Zach Keller.

ACTIONS

Zach Keller

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

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C. CORRESPONDENCES

No correspondence was received.

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D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the April 13, 2017 meeting were approved upon motion and second. There was no meeting in May.

ACTIONS

*West, Kennedy,
 unanimous approval*

E. AMGEN TOUR ARTICLE

1. Ms. Eileen Stokman had submitted a written letter to the Modesto Bee editor relating to an Amgen Tour rest stop out at Del Puerto Canyon Road, Frank Raines Regional Park. After seeing the comments, the Commission made an inquiry to the Department about the condition of the said area.
2. The day-use area has a non-potable water supply system pumping from a stone and sand cistern tank. The restroom sinks have been removed. The whole water structure dates back to the 1930's, 40's, when it was originally built for hard labor camps. The existing camp was not established until the 1980's. The water system on the campground side of the park has a water treatment facility where water is drinkable.
3. Due to the area being remote, vandalism can go unaddressed for some time until staff can repair the damages. Visitors may have also experienced the restroom during a heavy use time, prior to a scheduled clean-up. Recent issues also included a leak on a non-potable line that is in the process of being repaired.
4. A question was raised whether a commercial well could be developed out at Frank Raines. The park has been tested before and it was found to be in a water-poor zone. While considering the current water issues, signs are posted to redirect park patrons to use the restrooms near the campgrounds instead. Mr. Keller

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recommended the Department to consider restrooms in parks to be a priority in future plans.

5. In preparation for the Amgen, Public Works made an effort in filling in the large potholes on the road the months prior.

F. STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

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Merry Mayhew

1. Although the water restriction was lifted a month later than normal at Woodward Reservoir this season, visitation was heavier earlier on. The life-jacket loaner station is open for the season. The boat show had more vendors participating this year, however, visitation remained low. Advertisements included a radio clip and a remote station onsite.
2. Modesto Reservoir has several grounds improvement projects through the last couple of months in preparation for the upcoming bustling summer season, i.e. shade shelter, parking lots, boat ramps. The fuel pump project bid process is due on June 28th.
3. Boulders have been added out at La Grange OHV Park to enhance user experience.
4. The old restroom structure out at Fairview Park has been demolished. Replacement restrooms are on order with a 90-day delivery schedule. The baseball backstop was relocated and several other tasks of the project were also completed. The Department is currently working with Kaboom to install a shade sail over the play area. The volunteer event day at Fairview Park went well with several tasks in addition to equipment installations accomplished. The community had a match of ten percent.
5. Electrical projects have been waiting for the now receded water at Riverdale Park's fishing access. The fishing access have had issues with loaded boats being abandoned on the river. Broadway Park in Salida has ongoing issues with homeless barricading in restrooms and disturbing park visitors. The Department has contacted the County's homeless program to assist with homelessness service connections.
6. The Empire pool has been repaired and ready for the season. The Department has marked a column of the picnic shelter out at Laird Park to remember the 2017 flood. Due to the flood, the Department has asked Turlock Mosquito Abatement to add the area to their routine monitoring routes.
7. On June 19th, Frank Raines OHV Park will be closed for the summer. Day use areas and campgrounds will remain open. The Department has received award notice of over \$500,000 for both OHV parks this year. The amount came in lower than the previous year due to the additional heavy equipment purchases in the past year's budget.
8. The fireworks celebration this year at Woodward Reservoir will be on Saturday, July 1, 2017.
9. The Department is in the process of working with O'Dell Engineering on the Parks Master Plan, which cover plans for the next twenty years of parks and facilities development. A project manager will be scheduled to attend the August Park Commission meeting to speak more about the Master Plan. There are five other planned public meetings to provide the public the opportunity to speak on the matter. Information have be disseminated to newspaper businesses and various public media channels. This included the community advisory councils in Stanislaus County.
10. The firing range clean-up is still in progress. The cleaning plan is being developed.
11. Woodward Reservoir is moving forward with bringing on a consultant for the CEQA process on the north side of the reservoir.

G. COMMISSION COMMENTS

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1. The Police Activities League is having their 25th anniversary party on August 4th at the Petersen Event Center downtown Modesto.
2. There was a near-drown incident at the Empire pool. Fortunately, the person was revived before emergency personnel arrived.
3. Tonight is a Modesto Nuts Awesome Spot night. Past events have gone well.

Ron West

Chad Kennedy

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 13, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. at 3800 Cornucopia Way, Stanislaus Building-2nd Floor, Modesto, CA 95358.**

PREPARED BY: Mae Song, Park Commission Secretary

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