

CITY OF LOS BANOS
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2014

ACTION MINUTES – These minutes are prepared to depict action taken for agenda items presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson McCoy called the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairperson McCoy led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL – MEMBERS OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION PRESENT: George, Neu, Rodriguez, McCoy.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Public Works Director/City Engineer Fachin, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager Cardoza, Recreation Coordinator II Baker, Administrative Coordinator de Melo.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Neu, seconded by George to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all Parks and Recreation Commission Members present.

PUBLIC FORUM: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON ANY ITEM OF PUBLIC INTEREST THAT IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY; INCLUDES AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS. DETAILED GUIDELINES ARE POSTED ON THE COUNCIL CHAMBER INFORMATIONAL TABLE. No one came forward to speak, and the Public Forum was closed.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE ACTION MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2014: Motion by Neu, seconded by George to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried by the affirmative vote of all Parks and Recreation Commission Members present.

RECREATIONAL PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT: Recreation Coordinator Baker reported we are 5 weeks into the youth soccer program. We had just under 500 kids participate this year. We are 3 weeks into a 6 week league of adult softball; the number of teams registered is down, however the program is running smoothly. Youth Basketball sign-up's are now through November 14th; games will take place at Pacheco High School. Staff has started planning this year's Breakfast with Santa event.

PARKS & RECREATION 2014/2015 REVENUE/EXPENDITURE REPORT: Public Works Director/City Engineer Fachin reported that the reports only had about 3 months of activity. Most revenues are received at the end of the fiscal year. Parks and

Recreation Operations Manager Cardoza stated that there was quite a bit of supplies purchased in the last few weeks for the Community Center due to all the rentals. Commissioner Neu asked if the rental revenues of the Community Center were separated from all the other rental facility revenues. Both Director/City Engineer Fachin and Operations Manager Cardoza confirmed that was correct; the Community Center was set up with its own budget.

RECREATION COORDINATOR REPORT. Nothing further to report.

PARKS & RECREATION OPERATIONS MANAGERS REPORT. Thanked the Commissioners for participating in the park tour at the last Commission Meeting. We will be cutting the watering days of the parks from 3 days to 2 days a week, now that the weather is cooling off.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER REPORT. On October 1, 2014, the Landscaping contract was awarded to Ronnys Inc; explained the details of the contract. Commissioner George stated concern regarding what Ronnys Inc will do during the winter, when parks don't need to be mowed every week. Operations Manager Cardoza said that there was plenty of work for Ronnys Inc to do during the winter months to keep busy. People have been complaining about the crows in the downtown area. Due to the change of the seasons, the crows have come back. We will continue to use bird bangers to keep them away. We will wash the downtown sidewalks when it becomes a health issue. The sidewalks are currently washed about 3 times a year, and we will continue to do so. The downtown banner pole will be installed next month. One tree will be removed, in order to set the pole in place. We have a few new businesses coming in. There are a few residential lots being developed in existing subdivisions; Parks & Recreation fees are paid with the building permit is final. Director/City Engineer Fachin discussed water rationing and water quality regarding Chromium 6. Commissioner George inquired about providing water to new homes, when we are in a water shortage. Director/City Engineer Fachin stated that the lots are existing, and are vested into the City's infrastructure. Three Commissioners (McCoy, George, and Neu) will have terms expiring at the end of the year. We also have the Los Banos Unified School District appointment vacant as well. Encouraged Commissioners to re-apply; applications can be picked up at City Hall and on the City's website.

COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS.

GEORGE: No Report.

NEU: There was large amount of trash out at Oliveira Park Soccer Fields on Sunday. Asked if we have staff that picks up the garbage on the weekends. Operations Manager Cardoza stated that the City does not have weekend staff to pick up trash in the parks at this time.

RODRIGUEZ: No report.

MCCOY: Asked if Ronnys Inc was responsible for handling the homeless people in the parks. Director/City Engineer stated that Ronny's staff and City Employees are instructed to contact the Los Banos Police Department to handle homeless situations. Asked if there is additional parking planned for Oliveira Park in the future.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at the hour of 6:33 p.m.

APPROVED:

Palmer McCoy, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Jelene de Melo, Secretary