

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Tulare Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:32 a.m. by Chairperson Craig Hancock, at the Claude Meitzenheimer Community Center.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Craig Hancock Nick Sherwood
 Mike Jamaica Armando daSilva
 Lori Fishbough Ira Porchia

STAFF PRESENT: Rob Hunt Brian Beck
 J. Dean Johns Kathy Melendez

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Jamaica.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Director Hunt introduced Ms. Ashlee Winslow, recreation supervisor. Ms. Winslow has worked in the parks and recreation field for 15 years and formerly worked for the cities of Kingsburg and Lompoc. In Lompoc, she operated their multi-million dollar aquatics facility. She is also a certified CPR Trainer and Aquatics Facility Operator. Commissioners welcomed Ms. Winslow to the Department.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Director Hunt reported that he and Recreation Manager Beck attended a meeting in Fresno regarding the Statewide Park Development Community Revitalization program public hearing on their draft guidelines for the upcoming grant cycle. There are two grant components Tulare is looking at – per capita and competitive. Staff anticipates funding for the per capita portion and will come back with ideas on areas to rehabilitate. Public hearings will be held in spring 2019 with the projects starting in fall 2019.

V. ITEMS OF STUDENT'S INTERESTS

None. Recreation Manager Beck apprized commission that new students will be interviewed and selected over winter break and will start serving on boards in 2019.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was motioned by Commissioner Sherwood and seconded by Vice Commissioner Fishbough that the item on the consent calendar be approved with one typo noted on page 2 (remove the word 'not'). All in favor 6-0.

- 1. Approve Commission minutes of October 9, 2018, regular meeting**

VII. SCHEDULED CITIZEN OR GROUP PRESENTATIONS

None.

VIII. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Recreation Division attendance report for the month of October 2018 and review of program cost recovery analysis reports**

Recreation Manager Beck reported on activities for the month of October as follows: Fall softball has ended and staff will begin rehabbing fields as a winter project; softball tournaments will continue through mid-December; second season of coed volleyball will continue into November and December; there were 80 afterschool soccer participants this year; BEST Club continues to have strong participation despite the continued rise in membership fees; youth volleyball has 12 teams participating and coaching is completely done with volunteers this year; Teens on Board students will only sit on City boards and commissions, no community boards; Beck noted upcoming special events: fishing derby on December 1 and the outdoor lighting contest in mid-December. Staff is working on the Spring-Summer 2019 activity guide and the department placed a half-page ad in the AD Direct brochure.

- 2. Staff report on park maintenance operations for the month of October 2018 and update on park projects and special events**

Parks Manager J.D. Johns briefly reviewed the monthly parks report noting the numerous park projects recently completed, current jobs out to bid, and upcoming spring projects. SWAP hours for October were 632.

Director Hunt reminded Commission that they act as the Tree Committee and advised them that 14+ trees south of the Public Library will be removed due to trip hazards from raised concrete and will be replaced with Crepe Myrtle trees.

IX. ITEMS OF COMMISSION INTEREST

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7.04 a.m.