

MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MINUTES OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

June 27, 2017

Time and Place: 7:00PM Las Gallinas Mini-Park/Panhandle Trail.

Present:

Commissioners: Shane Valentine, John Tune, Jon Campo and Kimberly Call.

Absent: Jon Parkinson.

Staff: District Manager Eric Dreikosen, Recreation Director Shane DeMarta and Administrative Assistant Carolyn Sullivan.

Others present: Laurette Rogers.

Park and Recreation Commission Facility Tour and Inspection: Las Gallinas Mini Park/Panhandle Trail

The Commissioners met at the Mini-Park and inspected the park and playground then continued their inspection down the park panhandle trail. In the playground DeMarta noted that there was another instance of vandalism; graffiti and broken play equipment. Additionally the trees above the playground need trimming. Along the panhandle trail DeMarta brought attention to a large tree that had fallen in the winter rains, staff had kept a close eye on the issue as to watch that the water could still flow easily.

Along the trail Laurette Rogers a STRAW (Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed) Program Director spoke to the Commissioners about her decades of work in Miller Creek, in partnership with Miller Creek Middle School and Marinwood CSD. Rogers explained the process of removing invasive plants and restoring the creek. During the summer months a STRAW representative checks on their plantings every three weeks to ensure the trees they plant receive enough water. Rogers thanked the District for allowing the STRAW program to thrive and commented the work the students do is very inspiring.

Barnello commented that the western most entrance to the panhandle from Quietwood is very dangerous and needs attention. Each Commissioner had a spreadsheet to write down their comments which will be compiled into a master list.

Agenda

No changes or additions.

M/s Campo/Call to approve agenda as presented. Ayes: Campo, Call, Valentine, Tune. Nays: None. Absent: Parkinson. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Barnello commented that the landscape contractor is not doing their job. There was a broken glass bottle in one of the pedestrian pathways that was not removed. Barnello stated she had placed a sign near the broken glass to ensure residents knew of the hazard. DeMarta replied if staff had been aware it would have been removed as soon as possible and requested in the future residents call the community center in those instances. DeMarta additionally commented that the District was removed from the Nextdoor website so staff is unaware of instances such as these.

Draft Minutes of May 23, 2017 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting

M/s Tune/Call to approve minutes of May 23, 2017 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting. Ayes: Campo, Call, Valentine, Tune. Nays: None. Absent: Parkinson. Motion carried.

Draft Minutes of June 13, 2017 Board Meeting

Tune asked how many memorial requests are made each year by residents. Dreikosen replied they are rare, but he has recently received two such requests. Tune stated when he worked for City of San Rafael they had a policy for memorials and offered to look into their policy for guidance. Tune suggested the Commission take on the responsibility of drafting a policy to be presented to the board. Tune added Gennie's years of service and commitment to the community warrants a memorial. Valentine suggested adding a memorial policy to be placed on a future agenda. Campo commented when he had worked with San Francisco Park and Recreation there were issues with tree memorials. The maintenance was an issue and families were disappointed when a tree failed to thrive.

Draft P&R Commission Maintenance Inspection Report for Creekside Park

M/s Tune/Campo to approve draft P&R Commission Maintenance Report for Creekside Park. Ayes: Campo, Call, Valentine, Tune. Nays: None. Absent: Parkinson. Motion carried.

Recreation and Park Maintenance Activity Report

DeMarta commented the first Music in the Park was a success. The next installment is set for Friday July 7th. On Saturday July 22nd staff will be hosting Summer Brewfest; from 2pm-7pm there will be three live bands, and local breweries will be pouring beer. The pool experienced a closure on Sunday the 25th of June late in the day. Due to high bather volume the clarity became an issue and staff erred on the side of caution; the pool re-opened on Monday morning. The pool heater failed, but it was under warranty and will be replaced with a newer model free of charge. The Parks staff has been working on cleaning up the small driveway adjacent to the firehouse. Berm pruning is set for next week and the Creekside tennis courts are currently being resurfaced. Tune asked if there was a plan set for the sidewalk repairs. DeMarta replied the District will focus on the major concerns first.

Requests for Future Agenda Items

- Memorial/Recognition policy

The meeting concluded at 8:19PM.

The date of the next Park and Recreation Commission meeting is set for July 25, 2017 Marinwood Community Park and Playground.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Sullivan