

# MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

**June 28, 2016**

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

**Present:**

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

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

Board Members: Jeff Naylor.

Others present: Linda Barnello, Frank Gobar and Stephen Nestel.

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

The Commission began the tour in the mini-park. DeMarta stated the playground was vandalized and a portion of the equipment needs to be replaced. The maintenance crew will be installing a motion sensor light in the near future. Call commented staff might consider adding a “neighborhood watch” sign as well.

Nestel showed the Commissioners an oleander bush that was trimmed down to its stems. Nestel commented the bush was hacked and that the CSD needs written standards for landscaping. Call commented she would consider removing the bush completely; oleander is very toxic and it should not be located so close to a children’s playground.

(The Commission began walking down the panhandle.) Nestel commented the trail is too wide and compacted, it does not need to be twelve feet wide; he would like to see the trail return to its natural growth. Tune replied the trail has become wider with use. Naylor commented the trail is a fire break; it would not be safe for the grasses to grow high and the trail be reduced in width. Barnello commented she prefers the wider trail to accommodate room for passing bicyclists.

Barnello commented the drainage pipe in the creek is being covered with foliage; it should be cleared.

Nestel commented that the blackberries on the western side of the trail were hacked; the CSD needs written standards for staff to follow. DeMarta replied a team member got a bit overzealous with the cutback of the blackberry bushes, but it was dealt with internally and will not happen in the future. Tune commented the trail in its current state is the natural pathway that has evolved over the years. Tune stated the current staff should not be held accountable for the compaction of soil and widening of the pathway that has occurred over the past twenty or so years.

Dreikosen introduced Frank Gobar a resident and general contractor. Gobar spoke to the Commission about the maintenance shed and the possible solutions for the area. The CSD needs to determine whether to purchase a pre-engineered building or hire someone to build new construction. A wood structure would be higher maintenance than a metal structure and the roof should be strong enough for staff to walk on and clear debris when needed. Campo asked if any part of the current shed is salvageable. Gobar replied it would not be ideal to try and repair the structure; starting from scratch is preferable. Nestel asked if the footprint could be reduced. Gobar replied it may, but staff needs space for proper storage of the equipment. Dreikosen inquired what would be more cost effective, a pre-engineered building or new construction. Gobar replied in his opinion there is not a huge cost savings if the CSD chose a pre-engineered building. Valentine asked how the CSD should begin the permitting process. Gobar replied begin with internal fact finding and speak with staff to assess needs. Barnello suggested the Commission set up a committee to work on the project. DeMarta commented he will meet with staff again to determine the next steps.

**Agenda**

M/s Tune/Call to approve agenda. Ayes: Tune, Call, Valentine and Campo. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment**

No comments.

**Draft Minutes of May 24, 2016 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting**

Naylor stated the future agenda items from the last meeting were not placed on the June agenda. Valentine replied the requests will be addressed.

M/s Call/Campo to approve Minutes of May 24, 2016 Park and Recreation Commission meeting. Ayes: Call, Valentine and Campo. Abstaining: Tune. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Review of Draft Board Minutes of June 14, 2016**

Call asked the nature of the phone call Director Kai had received. Naylor responded it was threatening, abusive and violent in nature. It was in regards to a YouTube posting claiming censorship by the CSD Board.

**Update: Park Maintenance Shop Repair/Replacement as assigned by Board of Directors**

No further comments. The topic was addressed previously in the meeting.

**Park and Recreation Reports**

DeMarta reported summer programming is in full swing, staff is working extremely hard. Music in the Park kicked off last Friday successfully. Call inquired if the sunscreen issue had been resolved regarding pool clarity. DeMarta replied the summer camp counselors have modified the timing of application to reduce the amount of sunscreen washing off in the pool. Additionally staff is adding enzymes to the water to help filter out sunscreen.

DeMarta stated the Maintenance staff worked hard to prepare the grounds for camps. Turf maintenance and weed abatement are top priorities currently. Naylor commented he had walked the grounds recently and everything is looking great.

**Requests for Future Agenda Items**

- Add brighter lighting to park bathroom

The meeting concluded at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn Sullivan