

MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MINUTES OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

September 22, 2015

Time and Place: 7:00 Marinwood Park and Pool.

Present:

Commissioners: Chair Izabela Perry, Kimberly Call, John Tune, Shane Valentine and Sivan Oyserman.

Absent: Sarah Paoli.

Staff: District Manager Eric Dreikosen, Recreation Supervisor Luke Fretwell and Administrative Assistant Carolyn Sullivan.

Board Members: Bill Shea, Justin Kai and Tarey Read.

Fire Commissioners: Jeff Naylor.

Others present: Tom Kunkel and Leah Kleinman-Green.

Presentation of Commemorative Plaque Recognizing Tom Kunkel – Marinwood Playground

The Commission presented the commemorative plaque to former Commissioner Kunkel who served 28 years on the Commission.

Kunkel thanked everyone involved in the plaque and dedication. Kunkel stated his children and now grandchild love this park and it is an honor to be so thoughtfully recognized.

Park and Recreation Facility Inspection: Marinwood Community Pool Complex

The commission began the inspection in the pump room. Fretwell gave a thorough walk through of the new pool equipment and their efficiencies. This past season the pool has experienced the best clarity staff has ever seen. The CSD has retained Gary Gockel to install the new equipment. By next season he will have installed a new return valve for the waterslide which will eliminate the usage of fresh water constantly be added to the pool. Oyserman commented for next season the CSD should market that it has a “liquid chlorine free” pool facility. Fretwell noted that liquid chlorine will always be a secondary stand by for emergency purposes. Call inquired about the longevity of the equipment. Fretwell replied the CSD is in good shape at this point and moving forward will keep a close eye on the health of the equipment and Gockel will be assisting with a master plan for all the equipment.

(The sun had set by the time the Commission had finished reviewing the pump room. Commissioners decided to reconvene at the pool at the regular October meeting to complete the walk through.)

Agenda

No changes or additions.

Public Comment

No comments.

Minutes of August 25, 2015 Commission Meeting

M/s Oyserman/Valentine to approve minutes of August 25, 2015 Commission meeting. Ayes: Perry, Call, Valentine and Oyserman. Abstaining: Tune. Absent: Paoli.

Review of Draft Board Minutes of September 8, 2015

Oyserman inquired about the status of the solar project. Dreikosen replied the Board had approved the system size (56kW). The project is in its pre-engineering stage and the Board has yet to see the final drawings. Shea stated the original structure was 22X30; it was increased by 8ft.

Potential Growth Opportunities-Report

Perry commented she would love for this to be approved by the Commission and be sent to the Board for review. Dreikosen stated item #2, (implementing a rental fee for the second picnic area) would need to be an agenda item for the Board along with public comment. Perry stated under 3(c) she would like to change the wording from “park users” to “Marinwood/Lucas Valley residents and other park users...” Call stated she would like to add under item 4 “expansion and upgrade of kitchen facilities to ‘commercial’ kitchen for rental possibilities”.

M/s Oyserman/Valentine to approve potential growth opportunities report. Ayes: Oyserman, Valentine, Perry, Tune and Call. Absent: Paoli.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan – Draft

Perry thanked Tune for his time spent drafting this plan. Call stated she doesn’t want glyphosate included in this plan at all. Tune replied there would be no need for an IPM policy if the herbicides are not included. Tune distributed a copy of an IJ article titled “Don’t limit our ‘toolbox’ to protect our open space”. Call commented she believed there was a moratorium on herbicides. Perry replied the Commission voted upon a moratorium until an IPM policy was in place. Call stated she disagrees with any use of

pesticides or herbicide on the grounds. She stated she had contacted O'Donnell's Nursery and asked if the owner would come to speak to the Commission; he declined, but stated the Commissioners could come visit the nursery and ask questions. Call stated the Commission needs to find alternatives to herbicides and pesticides. Tune stated staff has the fiscal responsibility to maintain infrastructure; Commissioners should not limit their resources. Perry commented the Commission could come to a compromise; this is a first draft and staff knows that chemicals are only reserved as a last ditch effort. This IPM draft plan is a great start; our interests are primarily for health and safety of the community and its residents. Dreikosen added Tune is very knowledgeable on this matter. Tune added with any application the staff should begin with the product of least toxicity; balancing fiscal responsibility and ethicacy.

Park and Recreation Reports

Fretwell commented the Park and recreation staff will be conducting a walkthrough of the creek next month to access potential areas of concern before the winter rains. Kai questioned if something should be done about the steep access points of the creek. Fretwell replied the best option would be natural barriers such as shrubbery.

Call reported she had done some research on purchasing oak trees for Creekside Park. She noted the price of trees had increased greatly since the CSD last purchased some for the main park. She suggested the oak tree at Creekside Park be diagnosed for sudden oak death. If the staff has a correct diagnosis it will be easier to conclude a timeline for the trees life. Call would like to get the public involved in the new plantings and to educate them of the next generation of trees that will be planted. Tune reminded the commission that smaller trees are less expensive, but need more care and water in the beginning of life. Perry stated the commission needs a specific location for the plantings as well. Oyserman stated the commission should have a written plan for the tree purchase and placement; there is no money in the budget this fiscal year for this project. Dreikosen suggested Call come back to the commission in October with a cohesive plan.

Q&A on Non-Agenda Items/ Requests for Future Agenda Items

Perry stated the commission will reconvene at the pool next month to finish the inspection as well as inspect the community center facility. The Commission will further discuss the IPM plan. Call will provide an update to the valley oak planting project.

The meeting concluded at 9:15PM.

The date of the next Park and Recreation Commission meeting is October 27, 2015 at 7:00 at Marinwood Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Sullivan