



Parks & Recreation Commission
Woodland Community & Senior Center
2001 East Street, Woodland, CA 95776

Commission Meeting Minutes April 23, 2012

Call to Order

Meeting convened at 6:32 p.m. at the Woodland Community & Senior Center, 2001 East Street, Woodland, California by Commissioner Groom.

Commissioners Present: Murphy, Stephens, Salinas, Groom, Romero, 2 Vacant

Absent:

Staff: Engel, Haynie, Sanders

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Vice Mayor Skip Davies informed the Commission of the 4th of July plans for 2012. Woodland Recreation Foundations Chair Tanya McKay informed the City that the Foundation can no longer coordinate the 4th of July events. With the staff shortages in the Parks & Recreation Department, staff is not available to take over the duties that the Foundation is giving up. The Mayor Art Pimentel and Vice Mayor Skip Davies have taken up the Foundation's duties. With Woodland High School's plans to reseed the turf at the stadium, the 4th of July event will be held at Pioneer High School Stadium. There is a planned closure of Pioneer Avenue for street widening that will have an impact on the 4th of July events. Woodland Community College is making their parking lot available for the event. Vice Mayor Davies informed the Commission that they are looking for a group to take over the Bike Parade. Fire Station 3 will hold their annual pancake breakfast. Pool will be open for free swim, staff had informed Vice Mayor Davies that since the 4th falls on a Wednesday, and there would be no additional cost to the City for the event. The budget for the event is \$20,000.00 and has raised \$10,000.00 to date. Davies stated that there was some money left over from last year's event. The Mayor and Vice Mayor will be collecting all donations. They still need volunteers to assist with the events. Freeman Park event will not be held this year. Recreation staff will provide the bounce houses at the stadium and staff it with summer staff. Vice Mayor Davies has asked Pioneer High School to use the event as an opportunity to raise funds for their needed programs. Vice Mayor Davies asked the Commission to take over the Bike Parade.

Commissioner Romero asked where the money from last year came from. Vice Mayor stated that the Foundation is making these funds available there was a balance leftover from last year's event. The Foundation will continue to collect the funds for the event since they are a 501c3 non profit and the donations can be tax deductible to the donor.

Commissioner Murphy thanked the Mayor and Vice Mayor for the hard work and planning this event.



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Commissioner Salinas stated that the word needs to get out to all user groups, asking for volunteers for the 4th of July event.

Consent Calendar

Commission Minutes of February 27, 2012

Commissioner Groom made motion to accept the February 27, 2012 minutes, Commissioner Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. (*Note: no meeting in March due to lack of quorum.*)

Communications Written-Staff Reports

Recreation Division Report-Christine Engel

Engel informed the Commission that revenue is on track. The Camperships being offered for Summer Time Fun Club are being given out but slowly. There were 30 Camperships available and there are 15 left to give out.

Parks Report/Street/Tree Report-Rob Sanders

Sanders informed the Commission that Volunteers "Season of Service" will work at the Cemetery, Campbell Park, Pioneer Park and Woodside Park on the morning of May 5th. Staff is hoping that this event will become an annual event. The City has been selling equipment from the Parks Division, with the limited staff and the mowing contract, this equipment was not being used. \$25,000.00 was added to the Parks budget from these sells to buy a Gator for Parks which will save \$40,000.00. Park Supervisor Eric Dexter has taken a job with the City of Roseville; his last day with the City was April 20, 2012.

Commissioner Groom stated that Eric Dexter would be a hard act to follow; he did a great job for the City. Commissioner Stephens asked about the failed trees and what their replacements would be. Sanders stated that they would be replaced with a species that is known to thrive in Springlake. Commissioner Murphy stated that it's is great that the roof and decking will be repaired at Charles Brooks Swim Center.

Presentations-None

New Business-Action Items

Formalize Officers - Cycle

Commissioner Groom moved to accept the new Cycle for the Commission officers, Vice Chair moves into the Chair position and a new Vice Chair is elected annually; Commissioner Stephens seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.



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May meeting change to May 21 instead of Memorial Day May 28?

Commissioner Groom moved to change the May meeting date of the Commission from May 28 to May 21; Commissioner Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business- Information Items

Old Business-Action Items

Old Business-Information Items

Boxing Event Update

Commissioner Romero stated that he attended the Boxing Event held at the Woodland Community & Senior Center on March 3, 2012. The event was sold out and Vicente knocked out his opponent in the first round. Commissioner Murphy told the Commission that he watched the event on T.V. since he was in Southern California.

Engel informed the Commission that Vicente will be defending his title on May 12, 2012 at the Woodland Community & Senior Center. The promoters are pleased with the Woodland Community & Senior Center as a venue for these events. Commissioner Murphy stated that these events are a boost to the economy with everyone staying in town for the event. It is good to see the multi use of the Woodland Community & Senior Center. Thank you to staff for the work they do to make these events a success. Engel told the Commission that David Zaragoza and Luis Delgado are very organized and do a great job.

Work Plan

There is no current update for the Work Plan.

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance Committee Report

Commissioner Groom informed the Commission that with the March meeting cancellation Meyer wanted to make sure the Commission was informed of the planned budget cuts to the Park Division. Closure of 4 parks, possible transfer of Buchignani Field lease to Little League, closure of Charles Brooks Swim Center, reduction of tree pruning, elimination of officials for adult and youth sports, cancellation of fall adult softball and elimination of 4th of July activities.

Sanders stated that at the Council Budget study session in March, Council stated that they would not approve anymore cuts to the Parks & Recreation budgets or to the Library. These departments have been cut too much already and staff needs to look somewhere else for additional cuts. Commissioner



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Salinas asked staff to keep the Commission informed if things change with the budget for Parks & Recreation.

Communications-Commission/Staff Statements and Requests

Commissioner Murphy informed the Commission that he has accepted a seat on the Planning Commission and was resigning his seat on the Parks & Recreation Commission. This is his last meeting on the Commission. Sanders wanted to thank Commissioner Murphy for all the help he has supplied staff over the past 8 years. Engel stated that she first met Murphy 12 years ago when she was a Commissioner with Murphy on the Tree Commission. Murphy has been an active supporter of the City of Woodland and its residents. Commissioner Murphy responded that he has enjoyed his years of service to the Commission and would encourage new Commissioner to "Not bring work for staff but bring what you can do for the Commission". Commissioner Salinas appreciated being mentored by Commissioner Murphy. Commission asked Art Williams, from Woodland Tennis Club if he would consider serving on the Commission since he attends most meetings and is a supporter of Parks & Recreation. Commissioner Murphy stated that it is nice to work with staff that does their job because they want to do the job. Staff presented Commissioner Murphy with a plaque of appreciation for his years of service on the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Other Business (None)

Business Items for Next Meeting:

Budget Update

New Commissioner

Next Meeting Date: May 21, 2012, 6:30 p.m.

Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Haynie, Administrative Secretary
Parks & Recreation Department