

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES

Minutes of February 11, 2019
City Council Chambers

Chairman Woolwine called the meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Chairman Woolwine.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Dyson, Haase, Woolwine

Also Present: Nikki Sweeney, Recreation Program Administrator; Kim Nolan, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 14, 2019 – Commissioner Haase moved for approval of the minutes, second by Chairman Woolwine. Minutes were approved. All were in favor.

COMMUNICATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Friends of Gardena Willows Wetland – A new schedule for Willows activities has been posted. Commissioner Haase reported that the next *Second Sunday Stroll* will be held on March 10, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Activities will be presented on the topic of Creative Talents. The *Fourth Saturday Stroll* is scheduled for February 23, and the next one will be held on March 23. The new time is from 9:00 am to noon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. In-Lieu Service Contracts – No update.
- B. Facility Upgrades – Bids are being accepted for the sound systems at Rowley Park and the Nakaoka Community Center, as well as the partition at the Nakaoka Community Center.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Events to Attend –
1. Black History Month “Afternoon in the Park”, Saturday, February 23, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Rowley Park. Featuring food, entertainment, crafts and vendor booths, children’s crafts and play area.
 2. Annual Cymbidium Orchid Show, Saturday, March 2, 2019, from 12:00 pm to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 3, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Nakaoka Community Center.
 3. Chess Tournament, Saturday, March 9, 2019, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Nakaoka Community Center.
 4. Annual Zen Nippon Airinkai Koi Show on Saturday, March 16, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 17, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Gardena Civic Center.

5. Mayor's State of the City and Police Department Community Forum, Thursday, March 21, 2019. The State of the City was combined with the Police Department Community Forum. The event will take place at the Nakaoka Community Center. Appetizers will be served at 6 pm., followed by the presentation at 7 pm.

RECREATION AND HUMAN SERVICES – ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- A. Staff Training – The first session of fire extinguisher training is finished. The next session is scheduled for tomorrow, and the last session is on Wednesday. There were approximately 18 to 20 staff attending the first session. There was an actual fire and demonstration to extinguish the fire. Each staff person had an opportunity to use the fire extinguishers.
- B. Youth Sports – Registration is being accepted for Basketball. Opening day scrimmages will take place on February 23, during the "Afternoon in the Park" activities at Rowley Park.
- C. After School Program/Day Camp – Afterschool Programs continue at the Nakaoka Center, Freeman, and Johnson Parks. The department will offer full day care during spring break.
- D. Excursions –no report.

A "Walk for Fitness" class was added at Thornburg Park. Staff is working to increase community participation and working to add more activities at the smaller parks. Baseball/Softball skill clinics will be offered to teach fundamentals. Staff member Austin Gadaire played at Cal State Fullerton and will be teaching the classes.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Commissioner Haase, second by Commissioner Dyson. Motion unanimously carried. Adjournment at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Nolan
Recording Secretary