

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES

Monday, June 14, 2021– 7:30 p.m.
Nakaoka Community Center

Chairman Woolwine called the meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission to order at 7:31 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Johnson.

ROLL CALL

- A. Commissioners Present: Terri Haase, Stephen Dyson, Eddy Lee Mathews, Philip Johnson and Woods Woolwine
- B. Also Present: Stephany Santin, Recreation and Human Services Director
Nikki Sweeney, Program Administrator
Janina Hartwill, Recreation Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. May 10, 2021 – Haase 1st, Mathews 2nd.

COMMUNICATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Friends of Gardena Willows Wetland
 - a. Normal events – 2nd Sunday, 4th Saturday, and Volunteer Work Days. Walking Club every Thursday @ 10am

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. In-Lieu Service Contracts
 - a. Updating Contracts – Completed. Commissioner Woolwine, Mathews and Johnson will be meeting to review In-Lieu contracts before presenting them during the meeting.
- B. Facility Upgrades/ Park Improvements
 - a. Mas Fukai Sunshade – Completed. Waiting on Picnic Tables
 - b. Room A upgrades – Still in progress, creating door to patio area.
- C. Recreation Management System
 - a. So Far so good. Recreation staff utilizing system.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Pop-Up Pantry Update
 - a. Fukai Park 6/4/2021 – 37 families received food.
- B. Recreation Events
 - a. Hometown Heroes – May 27th – Will continue to accept banner request.
 - b. "Gardena" sign – Lights up, will light up for every holiday/event
 - c. Park & Recreation Month (July) – July 15th – will be having a small event on the City Hall Lawn. Council and Commissioners welcomed.
 - d. Jazz Festival – August 22nd – Attendance will increase, adding extra precaution.

RECREATION AND HUMAN SERVICES – ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- A. Staff Training
 - a. New Staff being cross trained.
- B. Youth Sports – Re-opening

- a. Flag Football sign-ups will begin end of summer
- b. Youth Softball & Baseball clinic begins July 6th – July 28th. Softball on Tuesdays & Baseball on Wednesdays.
- c. LA County Regulations
- d. Flag Football - September
- C. Day Camps
 - a. Freeman Park 22 kids, Johnson Park 21 kids, Rowley Park 12 kids.
- D. Excursions
 - a. Small excursions planned. Bigger excursions to come in the later months
- E. Past Events
 - a. Cinco de Mayo – May 5th – Highlight video created
 - b. Hometown Heroes – May 27th
 - c. Graduation Station – June 4th – June 6th – It was nice, not as many people as last year.
 - d. State of the City – June 10th – Currently on youtube and playing on channel 22 @ 7pm
 - e. Vaccination Clinic – Second dose June 12th 9am-2pm. Mobile unit went around the City with Johnson & Johnson.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Mathews – Photoshoot in his front yard on June 27th at 3pm. Event will be free. Invite only, not open to public.

Nikki Sweeney – This week Under the Sea Event will take place on Thursday, June 17th .

Stephany Santin – Flag Day was today. We made a highlight video with the Honor Guard and ASP showing proper flag etiquette.

ADJOURNMENT

- A. There being no further business, Commissioner Woolwine asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Haase motioned, Commissioner Mathews second. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janina Hartwill
Recreation Coordinator