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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES October 19th, 2015 – 5:30 p.m. COMMUNITY ROOM - LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike McDowell, Chair Dave Patzer Ron Edinger Ginny Tate Jim Lien

Maxwell Evans, Student Representative

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Anthony, Park & Rec Director Bill Greenwood, Park Superintendent Chenoa Dahlberg, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Cranston
Bridget Hill
Maya Burgess, Alt. Student Representative

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner McDowell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Six members were present, resulting in an official quorum.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Tate led the pledge of allegiance.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

4. STAFF COMMENTS

Steve Anthony spoke about the 170 sorority girls that came out to help clean Tubbs Hill which allowed the Tubbs Hill Foundation to cancel its annual fall-cleanup. He added that the girls did an excellent job. He gave an update on the Arts Commission and noted that Kate is back in Riverstone in her rightful place. He also spoke about the art work recently added at Johnson Mill River and another at Riverstone and that the collection keeps getting added to.

Bill Greenwood spoke about the tree planting project that Katie Kosanke and Mike Kempton had coordinated with Lakes Middle School students. 20 kids planted 16 trees over their lunch hour at Person Field. Bill also spoke about the donation from Lowe's for the remodel of the bathrooms at Person Field. He went on to talk about the restroom closure schedule for winterization and added that portable restrooms were being put out in high traffic park areas.

5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

7. RENEWAL OF PHOTOGRAPHY CONTRACT WITH LEGENDS

Steve Anthony read the staff report aloud and spoke highly of the excellent service that Legends provides. He requested approval to continue the contract. Commissioner Patzer asked about the scholarship program and Steve explained how it worked. Motion was made by Commissioner Tate and seconded by Commissioner Evans. Motion passed unanimously.

8. RENEWAL OF BROOKS SEAPLANE LEASE AGREEMENT

Bill Greenwood read the staff report aloud and Commissioner Patzer asked about records for fuel tank inspections and the requirement for this being added to the agreement. Commissioner Tate asked that the alcohol section language be the same through all of the lease agreements. Commissioner Patzer made a motion to recommend approval to General Services the extension of the lease with Brooks Seaplane and requested that two modifications be made 1. Require Fuel tank reports and inspection records; and 2. Uniform alcohol language with other leases. Councilmen Edinger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

9. RENEWAL OF ROW ADVENTURES LEASE AGREEMENT

Bill Greenwood read the staff report aloud and gave the history of the agreement with this vendor. There was a discussion about exclusivity due to Sanders and 12th St. beaches being closed to commercial use. Commissioner Patzer felt that another option or area needs to be offered. There was a discussion about various possible access points and the commercial activity limitations. There being no further discussion Commissioner Lien made a recommendation to General Services to renew the 3 year agreement with ROW Adventures to access Independence Point Beach for the purpose of launching kayaks for guided tours, with a modification for uniform alcohol language with other leases. Commissioner Tate seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

10. UPDATE ON CAROUSEL

Steve Anthony provided the Commission with an update on the Carousel agreement and that the foundation had been asked to design the building so that the building permit could be started. He stated that they had wanted a location to start fundraising and that the goal is to have all funds raised by next summer.

11. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION BENCH FROM BUNKER FAMILY

Steve Anthony explained to the commission how the donation started and explained that it was a reply to a letter to the editor and how thankful he was for the Bunker Family. Bill Greenwood gave info on the location of the bench and they both stated that the bench had been installed and looked great!

12. UPDATE ON WORKER'S MEMORIAL

Bill Greenwood explained the history of the project to the Commission and the idea for the location. He stated he was working with Brad Cederblom to work the space into the existing plan so that the utilities will be ready for the installation. There was a discussion about the location as well as the use of the area and if there were any set events that will take place. Commissioner McDowell asked about the Rock of Fame and Bill added that it would be put where it can be seen.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner McDowell announced the upcoming meetings:

- Tuesday November 3rd, 2015 Caruso's in CDA Noon
- Monday November 16th, 2015 Community Room at the Library 5:30 p.m.

Commissioner Patzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Lien seconding the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.