

MINUTES

CITY OF OXNARD
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Regular Meeting
February 25, 2009

A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA

At 5:31 p.m. the regular meeting of the Oxnard Parks and Recreation Commission convened in the Council Chambers. Chairman Postel and Commissioners Cobb, Garcia, Barber, Lemos and Pinkard were present. Commissioner Voss was excused. The Recording Secretary stated that the agenda was posted on Thursday at 5:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States. Chairman Postel presided and called the meeting to order. Staff members present were: Gil Ramirez, Recreation Superintendent; Richard Arias, Recreation Supervisor; Lori Rice, Parks Manager and Hidania Novoa, Recording Secretary.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Approval of minutes – January 28, 2009.
ACTION: Approved. (Cobb/Lemos)

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Mason, against having a themed playground in Rio Lindo Neighborhood Park.
Larry Stein, shared the need of an aquatic center in the City of Oxnard.

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of Dallas Cowboys Footballs raffle winners.
DISCUSSION: Ernest Stein and Larry Stein presented the autographed Dallas Cowboys Footballs to the following entities: City Impact, Rotary Club of Oxnard Sunrise, Coalition to End Family Violence, Oxnard High School, Hueneme High School, Channel Island High School, Pacifica High School, Rio Mesa High School, Santa Clara High School and Police Activities League (PAL).
2. SUBJECT: Recognition of 2008 Service Pin Awards to Susan Miller, Carolyn Gambala and Yolanda Piña.
DISCUSSION: Gil Ramirez recognized Susan Miller, Carolyn Gambala and Yolanda Piña for receiving Service Pin Awards. Mrs. Piña shared her enjoyment in working for the City of Oxnard. Ms. Miller and Ms. Gambala were not present.

E. REPORTS

F. PARK MANAGER/SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Report of the Recreation Superintendent
The following items were highlighted in the Recreation Superintendent's Report:
 1. Update on Oxnard Tennis Center from Mark McCampbell.
 2. PAL Fundraiser from Mike Ramirez. A video was presented.
 3. Rotary Boys & Girls Basketball from Richard Arias.
 4. Magic Show from Gil Ramirez.
 5. Senior St. Patrick's Fundraiser from Marisue Eastlake.
 6. Day at the Park from Richard Arias.
 7. CPRS Bone Builders from Marisue Eastlake.
 8. Valentines Day Events from Gil Ramirez.

9. PAL Soccer from Officer Luis McArthur.
10. City Corps from Efren Gorre. A video was presented.

ACTION: Commission accepted report.

2. SUBJECT: Report of the Park Manager

a. Update on East Village Park Design.

Lori Rice shared that the project is scheduled to start in Fall 2009; pending funding.

b. Update on Rio Lindo Park Design.

Lori Rice stated that with the Neighborhood Council's input they had agreed to the following project scope: new play structure, exercise equipment, improvements to existing restrooms, all weather track, additional security lights, new monument signs, additional trees and shrubbery, new BBQ area and new Basketball and Tennis Courts. The courts were completed in January 2009 and the rest is scheduled to begin Fall 2009. Ms. Rice shared pictures of the playground and stated that with the input of the Chair and Neighborhood Council they had opted for the green and brown color scheme. And added that the only thing that would be themed in the playground would be couple dinosaur placards placed in the play area and dinosaur bones put on the rubbery surface of the playground.

ACTION: Commission accepted report.

G. COMMISSION BUSINESS

Commissioner Garcia congratulated City Corps for the great work.

Commissioner Pinkard commented about the fantastic youth programs that the City offers; thanked everyone for their involvement.

Commissioner Barber shared his astonishment at the great youth programs as well. And, requested a feasibility study of an aquatic center in the City of Oxnard on a future meeting date.

Vice Chairman Cobb commented about the City's great accomplishments and reminded everyone to be safe on the streets.

H. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:04 p.m. the Parks and Recreation Commission concurred to adjourn the meeting.

Next regular meeting scheduled for March 25, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Dirk Voss, Secretary