

## MINUTES

### CITY OF OXNARD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING Regular Meeting May 27, 2009

#### **A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA**

At 5:35 p.m. the regular meeting of the Oxnard Parks and Recreation Commission convened in the Council Chambers. Chairman Postel and Commissioners Barber, Pinkard and Voss were present. Commissioners Cobb, Garcia and Lemos were 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 – April 22, 2009.  
ACTION: Approved. (Pinkard/Voss)

#### **C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

#### **D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR**

1. SUBJECT: May is Teacher Appreciation Month. (S. Miller)  
DISCUSSION: Sandra Wilusz introduced Gloria Lopez, Project Ayuda Coordinator followed by Project Ayuda Teacher Aides. Ms. Lopez gave a brief description of the program and Mrs. Wilusz introduced the following Teacher Aides; Rachel Santiago, Susana Garcia, Hope Chavez, Angelina Guardado and Cruz Estela Flores. The Project Ayuda Teacher Aides were presented with a gift in their recognition.

#### **E. REPORTS**

1. SUBJECT: Information on Parks Playground Equipment Standards from Carolyn Jones, RecWest.  
DISCUSSION: Carolyn Jones from RecWest Outdoor Products presented a slideshow with information regarding Playground Equipment Safety Standards.
2. SUBJECT: Naming of Dog Park at Oxnard College. (L. Rice)  
RECOMMENDATION: Commission concurred to recommend that City Council name College Dog Park after K-9 Rudy. (Voss/Barber)
3. SUBJECT: Present Potential sites for June tour Meeting. (G. Ramirez)  
ACTION: Commission approved the following sites to be visited on the June 2009 Tour Meeting; College Park, PAL, RiverPark, Oxnard Beach Park. The Special Tour Meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. (Barber/Voss)

#### **F. PARK MANAGER/SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS**

1. SUBJECT: Report of the Recreation Superintendent  
The following items were highlighted in the Recreation Superintendent's Report:
  - a. Senior Garden from Gil Ramirez.
  - b. Summer Recreation Guide from Gil Ramirez.
  - c. Summer Programming from Gil Ramirez.
  - d. City Corps from Efren Gorre.ACTION: Commission accepted report.

2. **SUBJECT:** Report of the Park Manager

e. Review of Arbor Day Event from Lori Rice. Picture slideshow was presented.

f. Update of possible Downtown Park from Lori Rice.

Ms. Rice shared that there is a proposed park site on Meta Street, south of Seventh Street, and a Neighborhood Garden, north of La Central Bakery. Per Ms. Rice, Maureen Hooper, Redevelopment Project Manager stated that Community Development is in the process of acquiring the surrounding area to go forward with the proposed project along with funding for general maintenance.

**ACTION:** Commission accepted reports with recommendations.

**G. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Commissioner Voss congratulated the Oxnard High School Singing Team for winning awards in the National Contest held in New York.

Commissioner Barber inquired about details of the Business Plan to be discussed on the next Parks and Recreation Meeting. Commissioner Voss shared different ideas and examples of the future Business Plan.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:16 p.m. the Parks and Recreation Commission concurred to adjourn the meeting.

Next special meeting scheduled for June 24, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

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Dirk Voss, Secretary

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Gloria M. Postel, Chairman