



**CITY OF RED BLUFF
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY
COMMISSION MINUTES**



Date of Meeting: February 8, 2017
Time of Meeting: 7:03 p.m.

Place of meeting: Red Bluff Council Chambers
555 Washington Street
Red Bluff, California

Commissioners Present: Patricia Phillips
Rachel Bentley
Michael Hawthorne
Bob Martin

Commissioners Absent: Gerry Reyes

Staff Present: Chris Hurton, Community Center/Recreation Supervisor

Chairperson Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Rachel Bentley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. CITIZENS COMMENT:

None.

C. CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **Approval of Minutes** – January 11, 2017 MSC Martin/Hawthorne 4-0

2. **2017-2018 Parks and Recreation Budget (Action Item)**

Recommendation: That the Parks & Recreation Commission review department financial data and advise staff in the preparation of the annual budget proposal.

Recreation Supervisor Hurton presented the current year's budget and actuals and described challenges of operating within budget. The commissioners gave suggestions to improve advertising and fill community gaps in recreational services.

No formal action was taken.

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3. Dog Park Progress Update

Recommendation: That the Parks & Recreation Commission receive an update on dog park progress from Commissioner Martin.

Commissioner Martin reported that donations continue to come in, but the weather has stalled progress.

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. Recreation Report

Recreation Supervisor Hurton reported that Lead Recreation Coordinator Erin Luevano has been hired as the new Administrative Technician for the Public Works Department. Her recreation position is open for applications until February 17th. Recreation Coordinator Halley Reed will run the February kids camp and help in the Community Center office until the position is filled.

The River Park Playground is installed, but needs curb replacement and bark. Progress has been stalled by the rains. Engineered bark has been installed at the other playgrounds around the city.

Red Bluff Police has indefinitely closed the restrooms at River and Diamond parks, in an attempt to discourage transients from lodging in them.

Due to high participation, we have added a Monday morning time slot for pickleball. The first session was attended by ten players. The Wednesday night slot is regularly attended by 25-30 and the three courts can only accommodate 12 players at a time.

The Ride On Race Series concluded the Red Bluff leg on January 28th at Trainor Park. Due to continuing wet conditions, the course was set up in undeveloped areas of the park.

E. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chairperson Phillips adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

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