



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



Date of Meeting: July 13, 2016
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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

Commissioners Present: Patricia Phillips
Mike Jensen
Bob Martin
Gerry Reyes

Commissioners Absent: Ryan Gamboa

Staff Present: Bruce Henz, Public Works Director
Chris Hurton, Community Center/Recreation Supervisor

Chairperson Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. CITIZENS COMMENT:

None.

C. CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **Approval of Minutes** – June 8, 2016 MSC Martin/Reyes 4-0

2. **Dog Park Progress Update**

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

Discussion: Commissioner Martin reported that 3 loads of decomposed granite has been donated and delivered by Bert Endicott. Red Bluff Fence has ordered materials and will begin installation on July 18. The company will donate labor and only charge for materials. A temporary sign honoring donors has

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been ordered. A permanent stone monument will follow. Three families have donated to purchase concrete pre-cast benches and tables.

1. Dog Park Management Organization – Action Item

Recommendation: That the Parks & Recreation Commission recognize the ‘Sher Wintle Memorial Dog Park Fundraising Group’ as the Citizens Management Organization, replacing the “Friends of the Red Bluff Dog Park” which operated under the auspices of Tehama Together.

Discussion: Supervisor Hurton summarized the circumstances leading to this recommended change and stated that Orle Jackson and Tehama Together are in favor of the change.

Citizen Earl Wintle shared how fundraising efforts in honor of his late wife Sher Wintle have rekindled the interest of the initial group that sought the approval of the City Council for the dog park in Red Bluff. They would like to assume the official role of the Citizen’s Management Organization to oversee the construction and raise the ongoing \$1,000 per year required for maintenance of the Sher Wintle Memorial Dog Park. The group has a solid network of supporting businesses and individuals to help bring the dream to completion.

Chairperson Phillips asked who would be in charge of determining which groups could use the park for dog training etc. Mr. Wintle offered that the Sher Wintle Memorial Dog Park Fundraising Group would coordinate that. Mr. Wintle offered his office number as the public contact for the Sher Wintle Memorial Dog Park Fundraising Group 529-1359.

Supervisor Hurton stated that the Recreation department would be able to accept reservation requests and manage them with the existing park reservation software.

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2. Public Interest Survey

Recommendation: That the Parks & Recreation Commission evaluate the survey created by Commissioner Gamboa and direct staff how to proceed.

Discussion: The commission discussed pros and cons of future project ideas and suggested modifications to the survey.

Commissioner Martin requested that a skate rink be added as a potential project in the survey.

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Mr. Wintle suggested that the survey ask citizens to order all projects according to priority, rather than indicate their favorite.

Chairperson Phillips asked how it might be promoted. Hurton suggested Facebook and the Red Bluff Daily News website.

Phillips suggested that a printed version should be made available in a Red Bluff Daily News publication and at city hall and the Community Center.

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. Recreation Report

Hurton reported that adult softball participation has gone down significantly. The summer season features only 13 teams, down from 25 last summer.

A new summer volleyball league has started, fielding 6 teams in its inaugural year.

At the McGlynn Pool, public swim attendance has been up and swim lesson participation has increased significantly.

Hurton showed photos of some of the Community Center cleanup by volunteers from River Community Church, which meets at the Center. He also showed a photo of the mural at the pool, which was designed and painted by lifeguards Colten Leonard and Emily Grissom to satisfy the annual community service requirements from Red Bluff High School.

E. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

Chairperson Phillips adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

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