



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

August 13, 2008

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The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission held on Wednesday, August 13, 2008 was called to order at 7:04 p.m. at the Red Bluff City Council Chambers.

Commissioners Present: Lauren Phillips, Yollanda Ragsdale, Greg Ellis, Richard Clapp, Rachelle Sousa

Commissioners Absent: Steve Piffero and Daniel Backstrom

Staff Present: Deborah Carlisi, Director
Anita Rice, Administrative Assistant

- A. Pledge of Allegiance**
- B. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Richard Clapp and seconded by Greg Ellis. The May 14, 2008 minutes were approved unanimously.
- C. Citizens Comment:** None
- D. Current Business:**

1. Monthly Staff Reports

The Commissioners had no comments.

2. Pool Update

Wildan and Aquatic Design Group submitted a report giving three options on how to stop the City Pool leak and it was submitted before City Council last week.

Option 1:

- Repair expansion joints and refinish the pool with a Plaster/Tile finish
 - Cost: \$250,000
 - Expected Life: 20 years \$12,500 per year

Option 2:

- Install a fiberglass liner
 - Initial Cost: \$115,000
 - Expected Life: 5-6 years \$20,900 per year

Option 3:

- Install a PVC Vinyl Liner
 - Initial Cost: \$95,000
 - Expected Life: 5-6 years \$17,300 per year
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ADDITIONAL REPAIR COSTS

- Pool Main Drain Entrapment: \$40,000
- Swimming Pool Wall Inlets: \$160,000
- Safety Stripe at 4'-6" Depth: \$2,000
- Pool Deck and Coping: \$312,000
- 6-Hour Turnover of Pool Water: \$85,000
- New Pool Gutter and Surge Tank: \$240,000
- Bathroom Fixture Count: \$350,000
- Perimeter Fence: \$38,000

SUGGESTED ENHANCEMENTS

- Add Pool Water Heaters: \$75,000
- New Pool Lighting: \$80,000
- Divide Pool Into Two Pools: \$1,700,000
- New Wet Play Area: \$350,000
- New Interactive Wading Pool: \$500,000
- New Replacement Pool: \$3,000,000

SUGGESTED PROGRAMS

- Current Pool Programs
 - Day Swim
 - Evening Swim
 - Season Passes
 - Swim Lessons
 - Special Events
 - Snack Bar
- Additional Desired Programs
 - Swim Team
 - Junior Lifeguard
 - Family Nights
 - Inner-Tube Water Polo
 - Intramural Sports

IN SUMMARY

- If the City can afford the initial cost, the best and most cost effective way to eliminate or reduce water leaks is to repair the expansion joints and refinish the pool with a new plaster and tile finish.
- If additional grant funding can be found, options exist to increase the cost recovery of the pool.

3. Summer Kids Camps

The Summer Funzone took place at Jackson Heights School from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with S.E.R.R.F. following at 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Due to high demand, Parks and Recreation added an additional program from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. so the children would have a full day. Since S.E.R.R.F. only held their program for four weeks and the Funzone's program was six weeks, Parks and Recreation created a middle program to fill in for S.E.R.R.F. so the children could attend the program the entire day.

This was the first year Parks and Recreation held the Ultimate Fun Camp. The kids met at the Community Center at 7:30 in the morning and by 9:00 a.m. they learned how to use the Trax transportation system while being bused to the Lariat Bowl. At the bowling alley the children learned how to bowl, they did crafts and an egg drop where they actually designed the structure. They played miniature golf, walked to the fire department and went to the City Pool.

The Fire Rescue Camp was a big hit for the 10th year. The camp was aimed towards the 12-16 age group and they did “hands on” activities with the Police Department, Fire Department, Search and Rescue, Sherriff’s Department and the California Highway Patrol. The Fire Department once again, was the favorite of the kids. An obstacle course was set up using a fire hose that gave the kids an idea of some of the jobs the Fire Fighters perform.

The City Pool opened on time this year and hosted the Blues by the Pool wine tasting event. There were over a hundred people in attendance and local winery representatives served wine while the River Rock band played blues, light rock and country music.

There were 44 teams in the Soft Ball Leagues. Championship night was on August 20, 2008 along with the Dr. Frey Most Inspirational Player Award Presentation held at 7:45. The first game at Frey started at 6:30 p.m. and the first game at Tosh starts at 6:45 p.m. There were 6 championship games altogether.

4. Fires at Dog Island

Passerby’s from the freeway noticed fires at Dog Island Park and notified the Fire Department. There were three fires, two small fires and one larger fire burning about an acre which resulted in taking down two trees. The fires raised questions on what should be done about the thick, dense undergrowth. TAC is looking at burning out the undergrowth naturally instead of using pesticides. Cal Fire has offered to help with the controlled burn.

5. Senior Nutrition

The City has signed contracts with Cal Works so their clients can be trained in the food service industry at the Community Center kitchen. Cal Works will pay the Community / Senior Center \$30,000 per year to train their clients. Senior Nutrition Coordinator Gaylen Norman has been training to be a Serve Safe Instructor and will be instructing the Cal Works clients.

6. Red Bluff Trails update

Graffiti has been found under the bridge by the Chamber of Commerce.

7. Boys and Girls Club Partnership

Monthly meeting is on August 14, 2008 and everyone is invited. A special board meeting is coming up September 13, 2008 8 a.m to 12pm.

8. Commissioner’s Comments

Richard Clapp stated he would have liked to have been notified of the City Council Meeting with the Wildan and Aquatic Design Group. Debbie Carlisi reported that the meeting was closed session. Richard also would like to be notified whenever a tree is cut down because he has been getting 2nd and 3rd opinions from arborists regarding the trees.

Richard inquired if there will be an access road built near the new RV Park that will lead to the new park area across from the RV Park. Debbie commented that to her knowledge it will be walking access only but they are working with the Sacramento River Discovery Center and Tehama County Water Conservation Group on bringing in a machine that will cut the undergrowth out of the new park area.

Rachelle Sousa recommended getting all of the school calendars together from the districts for planning the kid's camps. She stated in-service days sometimes follow school breaks and while parents are attending in-service, they have nowhere to send their children. Debbie Carlisi said she would look at the possibility of extending the children's camps to cover the in-service days.

Greg Ellis inquired about repairing the Lincoln Street tennis courts. Debbie Carlisi reported that because the courts are in such bad shape, the only thing to do is to rip them out and start all over and there isn't money allocated for it. Greg stated the drinking fountains barely work. Debbie Carlisi stated that because the water lines come from the county building, there isn't anything the City of Red Bluff can do. Greg said the drinking fountain at the Lots for Tots isn't working and Debbie said that she would look into it. Greg wanted to know why there are very few barbeques in the parks and Debbie reported that the barbeques get stolen or vandalized by the public. Greg asked if he could have permission to repair and maintain the horse shoe pits himself and Debbie said she would look into it. Debbie commented that the parks staff has been short a full time parks maintenance worker.

Yollanda motioned that the Commissioners show their support and interest in moving forward in a positive fashion in something greater than just a temporary fix for the City Pool. Greg Ellis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Lauren Phillips, Richard Clapp, Rachelle Sousa, Greg Ellis and Yollanda Ragsdale.

Noes: none

Motion approved unanimously.

Lauren Phillips had no comments.

Richard Clapp made a motion to close the Commissioner's meeting and the motion was seconded by Yollanda Ragsdale. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. by Chairperson Lauren Phillips.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be held on September 10, 2008 at the Red Bluff City Council Chambers at 7 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers, 555 Washington Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Rice
Administrative Assistant