



CITY OF RED BLUFF
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
January 14, 2009



The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Red Bluff City Council Chambers.

Commissioners Present: Mike Shaffer, Rachelle Sousa, Daniel Backstrom, Yollanda Ragsdale and Shane Graham
Commissioners Absent: Steve Piffero and Richard Clapp
Staff Present: Debbie Carlisi, Parks and Recreation Director
Anita Rice, Administrative Assistant

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Yollanda Ragsdale to approve the December minutes and the motion was seconded by Rachelle Sousa.

C. Citizens Comment: None

D. Current Business:

1. Monthly Staff Reports

No comments.

2. Pool Update

Debbie Carlisi reported that final tests are being completed on the pool this week and that's with the pool full and the filter running while monitoring the drop. Debbie will be meeting with the building official and the public works director on how to get the dual main drain in before the pool opens in June.

3. Bicycles at the Skate Park

Debbie Carlisi reported that Red Bluff's insurance, Northern California Cities Self Insurance Fund (NCCSIF) is now allowing bikes in small city skate parks under their coverage. Debbie Carlisi asked if the Commissioner's would like to make a recommendation to start allowing the bikes into the skate park. Mike Shaffer suggested enforcing the helmet law due to the bikes flying in the air causing additional danger. Yollanda Ragsdale made a motion that the commission makes a recommendation to remove the "no bike" law and that no special days be assigned to the bikers. Mike Shaffer seconded the motion and all of the Commissioners were in favor.

4. Community Center Floors

Debbie Carlisi reported that Dr. Ron Clark approached staff and said the kitchen floors needed replaced. Mike Skelton asked if the bathroom floors could be included as well. Dr. Ron Clark contacted the Endowment Foundation and they agreed to foot the bill to replace the kitchen, main bathroom and the Gardenside bathroom floors with epoxy cement floors. The budget to replace the floors is approximately \$21,000.

5. School Candidate Bi Laws

At the last meeting, Richard Clapp asked if Debbie Carlisi could research why the Parks and Recreation Commission doesn't change the Bi Laws to include all of the schools in Red Bluff for Commissioner Candidates. Debbie Carlisi asked the Commission if this is something that should take priority at this time with everything that is going on, frozen positions, economy etc. Mike Shaffer inquired what goes into making the change. Debbie Carlisi reported that it would have to be rewritten, reports would have to be done and then it would have to go to council. Yollanda recommended postponing it until there is more time to spend on it and all present Commissioners agreed.

6. Commissioner's Comments

Mike Shaffer stated he was glad to see the bike riders allowed in the skate park

Dan Backstrom reported that he checked into the high school document camera program and found it to be too expensive. Venita Philbrook told Dan Backstrom that money is coming our way for bike racks from a grant that was requested last year. Dan welcomed new Commissioners Mike Shaffer and Shane Graham.

Rachelle Sousa had no comments.

Shane Graham stated that allowing bikes in the skate park is a good thing.

Yollanda Ragsdale would like to thank Dr. Clark on behalf of the Commission for recommending the floor repair project to the Endowment Foundation.

Debbie Carlisi stated she had one more thing to bring up. She said she received a call from a gentleman who wants to put a disc golf course in at Forward Park. Debbie invited him to do a presentation at the next Commission meeting in February.

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be held on February 11, 2009 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
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