



**CITY OF RED BLUFF  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT MINUTES  
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION  
June 10, 2009**



Date of Meeting: Wednesday June 10, 2009  
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.  
Place of meeting: Council Chambers, City Hall  
555 Washington Street  
Red Bluff, Ca

Commissioners Present: Daniel Backstrom, Chairman  
Steve Piffero, Vice Chairman  
Rachelle Sousa  
Fred Avila  
Yollanda Ragsdale

Commissioners Absent: Mike Schaffer  
Shane Graham

Staff Present:  
Debbie Carlisi, Parks and Recreation Director  
Anita Rice, Administrative Assistant

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

**B. Approval of Minutes**

There was not a full quorum present to approve the April 8<sup>th</sup> minutes.

**C. Citizens Comment: None**

**D. Current Business:**

**1. New Commissioner Alfredo (Fred) Avila**

Chairman Dan Backstrom welcomed Fred Avila who owns Fast Wheels Bike Shop and an original member of the Red Bluff Skate Park Association, to the Commissioner's Board.

**2. Monthly Staff Reports**

Chairman Backstrom inquired about the McGlynn Pool leak. Debbie Carlisi reported that the gutters on the pool may be causing part of the problem and further testing will be done when the pool season ends. She stated the person who designed the pool in 1930 did a good job because the pool runs on gravity down into the filter system and along with the vortex cover; the pool meets standards and is still in compliance in 2009.

### **3. BMX Track, Disc Golf**

Debbie Carlisi reported that she hasn't heard from the BMX group or the Disc Golf group after trying to contact both groups through email. Fred Avila offered some insight on the BMX group as to why they are no longer interested in using City Land for the BMX Track. He said the fairgrounds had some available land where the motor cross events took place and the person who ran the motor cross events is allowing the BMX group to use the dirt so all BMX has to do is find a container to move the dirt around.

Chairman Dan Backstrom asked if the Disc Golf group is still working towards building a course at Dog Island. Debbie Carlisi reported that the Federal Government turned down the Disc Golf group because they didn't want any digging and cementing on the Island and the Disc Golf group only wanted the Island, not the Samuel Ayers section of the park.

### **4. Pool Update**

The maintenance staff is finishing up the pool testing and the pool will open one week later than normal on June 22, 2009 and close one week early due to the budget. The Blues for the Pool committee has made the wine tasting brochures and is looking forward to raising money for the pool. Registration is up for swimming lessons and two more lifeguards are needed. A deal has been made with a swim team out of Redding on paying \$5.00 per lane per hour to rent the pool for their swim practices. The City Pool staff is offering private lessons this year at \$15.00 for half an hour taught by WSI lifeguards.

### **5. Community Service Volunteers**

Debbie Carlisi asked the Commissioner's if they had thought of anyone who could oversee a volunteer program that does minor maintenance at the parks.

Senior make a difference day was made successful by a great group of Red Bluff Union High School seniors. The groups of kids painted park equipment in two different parks, painted a mural under the Reeds Creek Bridge, painted the train at Diamond Park, cleaned up Dog Island Park and stained the bridge, and finally, played musical Bingo with the seniors at the Community / Senior Center.

### **6. Upcoming Events**

The Blues for the Pool Wine Tasting starts at 7 p.m. at the McGlynn Pool on July 18th. The McGlynn Pool opens on June 22<sup>nd</sup> and the children's Funzone begins on June 22<sup>nd</sup> as well.

### **7. July 9, 2009 meeting and Park Tour**

Debbie asked the Commissioners if they want to postpone July's Commissioner meeting to August due to vacations. Chairman Backstrom and Commissioner Yollanda Ragsdale stated they would both be on vacation.

Yollanda Ragsdale motioned to postpone July's Commissioner meeting and the annual park tour to August. Commissioner Steve Piffero seconded the motion.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

## **8. Commissioner's Comments**

Commissioner Yollanda Ragsdale asked how to apply for the part time park maintenance position. Debbie Carlisi explained that job applications have to be turned in to Red Bluff City Hall Human Resources Department.

Commissioner Fred Avila asked Debbie Carlisi if she was able to utilize the Tehama County Jump Start Program. Debbie Carlisi stated that she did and will be interviewing applicants who are 18 or over because they will need to be able to run power equipment.

Chairman Dan Backstrom thanked the maintenance crew for keeping the parks looking good on a skeleton crew.

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

**The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will announced at the August 12, 2009 meeting at the Council Chambers, 555 Washington Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080.**

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Rice  
Administrative Assistant