

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
Wednesday, February 17, 2010  
Council Chambers, 21000 Hacienda Blvd.  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Dennis called the meeting to order at 5:31pm

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Tarvin requested item NB 4 be removed.

Motion by Commissioner Sanders, second by Commissioner Tarvin to adopt the agenda removing NB 4 – Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS –**

City Manager Weil announced that refreshments are available for this evenings meeting in the lobby.

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

City Manager Weil advised that several ideas are being thought of with regards to collecting funding to maintain pavilions at the park. One of the ideas for the program is: “Adopt a pavilion” the program would function in a similar manner as the “adopt a street program”. This would entail a little funding from the city as it relates to staff time and labor, the rest of the materials cost would be absorbed from funds received through the adopt a pavilion program. City Manager Weil advised that he would be seeking organizations and their thoughts. Update at the next meeting.

Parks and Recreation Supervisor, Michele Hornback distributed to the Commission a staff report outlining current projects and programs that the Park and Recreation Department currently participates in.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Kim Collins advised that at the next California City Citizens Advisory Committee (CCCAC) they plan to discuss the possibility of permanent signage advertising and promoting the special tax around our parks and streets to provide the public a visual of where the tax funds are being utilized.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**CC1.** Approve minutes of special meeting dated 01/21/10

**CC2.** Approve Minutes of Workshop 01/28/10

Motion by Commissioner Hemingway, second by Commissioner Sanders, to approve minutes – motion carried.

**CONTINUED BUSINESS**

**CB 1. Communications Review – City Manager Weil**

Chair Helen Dennis read the communication received from Rhonda Vasquez – Dennis advised that the portion pertaining to the request of a non-alcohol evening on July 4<sup>th</sup>, be brought to the City Council as a request as this would entail revising/amending a current ordinance as it pertains to alcoholic beverages in the Park facilities.

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Michele Hornback communicated gratitude from a resident that she had received; the resident wanted to pass on a ‘thank you’ to the Commission for their efforts to improve the Parks facilities at Balsitis.

**CB 2. Grant Review / Update – City Manager Weil**

City Manager, Tom Weil announced that Kern COG is proposing a funding mechanism to landscape the intersection of Highway 14 and California City Blvd.

City Manager, Tom Weil provided an update from last evening’s council meeting; the name change from Randsburg Mojave Rd to California City Blvd was approved.

The Marina pavilion project was approved. The City is seeking bids for fencing and materials. Labor will be another cost that will be in addition to the fencing and materials.

A plot map of the proposed building and facilities to be included at Balsitis Park was distributed and discussed. The plot map represented two different layouts (Scheme A and Scheme B) and building design.

Estimates are currently being constructed. Staff recommends Scheme B as this allows for future development.

Consensus from Commission that staff continues efforts and commence with Scheme B.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NB1. Central Park Pavilion Renovation**

Resident Chuck McGuire and Rhonda Vasquez presented wrought iron design to Commissioners. Discussion commenced regarding design and safety requirements. Rhonda and Chuck advised that the material is very sturdy and they are designed to meet safety requirements. Commission further discussed ideas presented at a meeting several meetings ago and made a recommendation that the presentation be brought to Council. Commissioner Tarvin and Commissioner Hemingway asked that staff look

further into the safety of the wrought iron – City Manager Weil advised that he would pass the design on to our insurance provider PARSAC for comment. Costs for the project would be presented to the Council for approval. Michele Hornback advised that with regards to playground safety; the measurements and designs could further be presented to the inspectors of this field that periodically check for park equipment safety for their comment.

Motion by Commissioner Tarvin and second by Sanders, to make recommendation to Council for Pavilion project at Central Park with safety requirements checked by Staff Motion Carried.

**NB 2. Joint Use Facilities MUSD – City Manager Weil**

City Manager Weil advised that the MUSD board will be discussing possible joint use of school facilities. A soccer complex behind the CCMS would be a great asset. Will report further at next meeting pending outcome of consensus of MUSD Board.

**NB 6. Garden Club Judging Participation – Karen Sanders**

(Chair Dennis requested that this item be discussed before NB 2.)

Commissioner Sanders advised that the California City Garden Club has requested that the Parks & Recreation Commission participate in this years annual garden tour as judges. The tour will begin on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 with the actual announcement taking place on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Cecile Campbell of the Garden Club advised that all relevant materials will be provided to the Commissioners. Dennis, Sanders and Sutherland advised that they would be available; Hemingway and Tarvin will check their schedules and advise availability at a later date.

**NB 3. Parks Master Plan – City Manager Weil.**

City Manager Weil asked Tarvin if this plan was available for review. Commissioner Tarvin advised that he had electronic copies available. Tarvin will distribute electronically. City Manager Weil advised that by the next meeting we need to discuss the plan in detail.

City Manager Weil advised that staff has been so focused on Prop 84, now we need to target the Master Plan.

**NB 4. Skate Park – Commissioner Bill Tarvin**

Removed prior to adopting agenda.

**NB 5. Commission Vacation/Absence Calendar – Chair Dennis**

Chair Dennis advised that she will be unavailable for the meetings in April, 2010 and June 2010. Chair Dennis encouraged Commissioners to prepare their respective vacation calendars so that the Board can continue without interruption.

Chuck McGuire spoke of his and the public's gratitude to the Commission for their efforts.

**COMMISSION AGENDA**

**Commissioner Hemingway** – Asked about the whereabouts of the playground equipment at the Balsitis Park – Hornback advised that the equipment did not meet today's safety standards therefore it had to be removed.

General discussion about the wait period to replace equipment pending Prop 84 funds. Weil advised that staff could discuss for 10/11 budget in the event that grant funds were not granted.

**Commissioner Sanders** – Asked Hornback about exercise equipment in the Community Center. Hornback advised that the Parks and Recreation department had received the equipment as a donation from 'Move your Body' and that plans were under way to begin utilizing the equipment following safety training.

City Manager Weil asked Cecile from the Garden Club if they could participate in suggestions to replace the pine trees surrounding the Legends property. Weil also encouraged the Commission to utilize Ann's expertise for landscaping ideas on Hamburger Hill surrounding the waterfall.

**Commissioner Sutherland** – Thanked the Garden Club for planting roses in front of the Senior Center – Cecile Campbell advised that the roses were planted in honor of Pat Mosley. Sutherland also requested that the Senior Center events be included in the Parks and Recreation newsletter that was distributed for the month of February.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Sutherland, second by Sanders, to adjourn the meeting at 7:01pm Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jan Sprague, Parks & Recreation Secretary

**APPROVED BY THE PARKS & REC COMMISSION ON \_\_\_\_\_**