

**MINUTES
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
CITY OF MORRO BAY
JANUARY 4, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Stan House at 5:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Hale, Mahan, Munoz, Solu, Vice-Chair House; Staff Lueker, Wright.

ABSENT: Commissioner Winter (excused), Commissioner Hensley (excused).

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IN REGARD TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 7, 2006 MEETING

It was moved and seconded to accept the Minutes of the December 7, 2006 meeting for file. M/S/C (Munoz/Solu).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice-Chair House announced the City Council will be discussing the budget on January 22, 2007 and there will be a Special Meeting on January 29, 2007 that will address the one-half cent sales tax increase.

A. NEW BUSINESS

A-1 REVIEW OF THE WORK PROGRAM

Staff Lueker gave a brief history of the Work Program and Prioritized Work Program Project List and asked the Commission to review the documents and provide input to staff concerning the amendments. After review, staff will provide input and the Work Program will come back to the Commission for final review in March.

Commissioner Munoz asked if the \$25,000 set aside for the Pool Feasibility Study could be used to fund Teen Trips, the STAR Program or Parent's Night Out.

Staff Lueker replied that would be a City Council decision. She added she would be hesitant as it is one-time money and when it is gone, it is gone.

Commissioner Hale inquired if the Department had gone through the priorities.

Staff said they would like to see the cuts to the special events for Kids Club and Teens be refunded as well as the STAR Dances and the Kickbacks.

Commissioner Solu said it would help to know the most attended events that were cut as well as the ones that are the most requested.

Vice-Chair House felt good priorities would be to manage to maintain what we have and get back the employees we lost. He asked what the chances were on getting back employees.

Staff said the outlook is not good for the coming year and we need to hold on another year. Over the long term our preventative maintenance program is losing ground.

Vice-Chair House requested staff to provide cost estimates and the cost to maintain programs/facilities when they bring the Work Program back in March.

Staff asked the Commission to provide three recommendations for three priorities for 2007 to present at the January 29, 2007 City Council Special Meeting.

A motion was made to recommend the following priorities: (1) continue with current levels and staffing, (2) look at putting any extra or additional monies toward preventative maintenance and (3) add back the programs and funding levels that have been cut from the Department. M/S/C (Solu/Munoz).

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B-1 FINAL REVIEW OF THE DRAFT RENTAL POLICY FOR THE TEEN CENTER

Staff Lueker asked the commission to review the amended Teen Center Rental Policy and to recommend the policy and rental fee to the City Council.

Commissioner Mahan felt a maximum of 39 participants should be added to the group size.

Commissioner Solu questioned 'all participants must stay inside the building' and asked if they would be allowed to use the basketball hoop.

Staff Lueker said she would check with Heather Salyer-Frith with regard to use of the basketball hoop.

Commissioner Mahan asked what hours would be available for rental.

Staff replied the Teen Center could be available on Fridays or Sundays so it would be available for rentals.

Commissioner Hale expressed noting days and times of availability on the policy so the public would know when it could be rented.

Staff said the policy could say available on Fridays and Sundays or other times dependent on availability of staff.

It was moved and seconded to accept the amended Teen Center Rental Policy with the following additions: (1) under #5 add a maximum of 39 participants; (2) add #12 stating all revenues from the Teen Center Rentals go to the Teen Center Helping Hands Account; and (3) add #13 stating rental availability days/times. M/S/C (Munoz/Mahan).

B-2 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

Staff Lueker reviewed the Recreation and Parks Department Status Report.

At the February 2007 meeting staff will be reviewing the participation at the Skate Park and proposing the use of monthly passes.

It was moved and seconded to accept this report for file. M/S/C (Solu/Munoz).

C. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

C-1 CITIZENS' REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

It was moved and seconded to accept the Citizen's Reports and Correspondence for file. M/S/C (Munoz/Hale).

D. REPORTS

D-1 YOUTH SERVICES SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 2006

D-2 SPORTS AND FITNESS SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 2006

D-3 FACILITIES AND PARK USE SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 2006

These Reports will be presented at the February Meeting.

D-4 SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

No Report

D-5 COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Vice-Chair House said he attended the 'Polar Bear Dip' in Cayucos on New Year's Day and cheered on the participants.

Commissioner Solu reported she attended the City Council Meeting to support the Del Mar Park Playground Project.

Staff Lueker said the City Council approved the Del Mar Park Playground Project and tacked on the repaving of the parking lot.

Commissioner Mahan announced there will be a Public Hearing on January 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Building with regard to the recent water quality crisis.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Vice-Chair House would like to see some information on the changing demographics of the City and the allocation of funding.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m. M/S/C (Munoz/Mahan).

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

**BARBARA WRIGHT
ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN**

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