

MINUTES – MORRO BAY RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING –MAY 25, 2010

VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING – 5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hale called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Commissioner Croley, Commissioner Sidaris, Commissioner Bates, Chair Hale, Staff Woods. ABSENT: Commissioner Munoz, Commissioner Ayooob.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the Commission, the following items are approved without discussion.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 27, 2010 MEETING

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-2 CITIZEN'S REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-3 YOUTH SERVICES SUMMARY FOR APRIL 2010
SPORTS AND FITNESS SUMMARY FOR APRIL 2010
FACILITIES AND PARK USE FOR APRIL 2010

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-4 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

MOTION: Commissioner Bates moved the Commission approve Consent Calendar Items A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4 for file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Croley and carried. (4-0)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

B-1 REVIEW SIZE OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION AND CONSIDER THE DESIGNATION OF A LOS OSO COMMISSIONER

Staff Woods stated the city Council at their May 10, 2010 meeting requested the Recreation and Parks Commission review and discuss the size of the Commission and the idea of designating a Los Osos member. Currently the Bylaws regarding appointment read: The Recreation and Parks Commission shall be comprised of seven (7) voting members, five of which must be qualified electors of the city of Morro bay. Appointments and the filling of vacancies shall be made by the City Council. Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the city Council.

Commissioner Sidaris asked about the relationship with Los Osos and if our programs are promoted in Los Osos and Cayucos. Staff replied Los Osos is an unincorporated part of the County. Some of the programs offered there are ours, some the City of San Luis Obispo and the YMCA. All our programs are offered to Los Osos as well as Cayucos. We promote our programs through the schools. Currently we have a Joint Use Agreement with San Luis Coastal Unified School District to use fields and facilities in Los Osos and we are working on an agreement with the Cayucos School District.

Commissioner Croley commented there is a lot of overlap with sports programs. She said there may be no interest on their part as a majority of the time we are discussing Morro Bay things, however it is worth looking at. She asked who the Los Osos representative would report to. Staff said there are a couple options, informally a citizens' group or it could be more formal and go to the County Parks and Recreation.

Chair Hale asked what percentage of our participants come from Los Osos. One consideration is the Commission represents the residents of Morro Bay and discussion concerns our parks, in lieu funds, off leash dog park, etc. Los Osos probably does have an interest but would it be the right trade off to have a Los Osos resident and not a Cayucos resident. Staff replied he does not have the percentage of Los Osos residents that participate in our programs; however he felt representation would bring a view point from Los Osos.

Commissioner Bates asked what resources staff has, any liaisons. It seems reasonable to have representation but until staff is working more closely it doesn't seem feasible. It is mostly a recreational element and that isn't what we usually talk about. He added that maybe we should look to San Luis Obispo County for the proper liaison.

Chair Hale commented is the Los Osos position best served as a Commission member or as a liaison with staff. Is the Commission the right place to develop that liaison role? She stated as the Bylaws read we can already have an out of town Commissioner. It is already in place, they can go through the interview process. We are not actively promoting it.

Commissioner Munoz arrived at 6:00 p.m. He commented that Los Osos residents can always come and address the Commission. He felt a seven member Commission worked best to establish a quorum.

Commissioner Bates said we should encourage members of the neighboring communities to join our commission; however he felt a position should not be specifically designated.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved the Commission leave the number of members at seven and we should encourage applicants from the Estero Bay community to apply for vacant positions on the Recreation and Parks Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (5-0)

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 STATUS OF PARK-IN-LIEU FUND AND PROJECTS CURRENTLY APPROPRIATED

Staff Woods stated the Park-In-Lieu Fund was established through the city's parkland dedication ordinance found in the Morro Bay Municipal Code. Subdivision of lot(s) is reviewed and the option of parkland dedication or park-in-lieu fees is discussed with the applicant. As the fees accumulate, Staff recommends park enhancement projects to the Commission which ultimately are approved by the City Council. Current projects funded by these monies include the public shower facilities and Giant Chess Board enhancement and the Mariner/Centennial Parkway enhancement. The fund balance as of May 20, 2010 is \$124,922. Future projects that satisfy the Quimby Act could include the CEQA initial study for the Teen Center Master Plan, enhancement of Anchor Memorial Park, enhancement of Morro Cove parkland and master planning of Coleman Park.

Commissioner Sidaris inquired about the area where the bike path crosses out by Morro Rock, used mostly by scuba divers and fisherman. Staff replied we are looking at the Coleman Park / Target rock area.

Commissioner Bates said he had looked at Mariner and it looks fantastic. He also saw the prep work at Centennial and thinks it is a good idea to carry on with Anchor Memorial Park and then move on to larger projects.

Chair Hale asked if all in-lieu fees are allocated to the Recreation and Parks Department and if any bike path programs would fall under the purview of Recreation and Parks that in-lieu fees could be used for. Staff replied the Department doesn't get in to the right-of-ways; we are strictly dedicated to parkland and parkland enhancement.

No action required.

D-2 REVIEW OF PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR SUMMER 2010

Staff Woods reported the Commission at the April 27, 2010 meeting requested a report on programs and events happening this summer. Staff has prepared a list of events that represent events sponsored by the City or by other organizations through the Public Area Use Permit process. Staff reviewed the upcoming events.

Chair Hale asked if the calendar is posted on the website. Staff replied it is not currently posted but we will see that it is.

No action required.

D-3 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT PROGRAM EVALUATIONS

Staff Woods presented the review of the 2020 Adult Coed Soccer Program. Seventy-three adults participated in the program. Participants register as individuals and teams are formed by staff and local representatives to help form balanced teams. Total direct costs were \$3,576 while indirect costs were \$240. Expenses totaled \$3,816. Revenues from registration totaled \$3,339. Cost recovery was 88%. Adult Coed Soccer is a Merit Service Program and the target cost recovery is 70-79% of program and support costs. The program recovered 93% of program and support costs and 88% of program, support and indirect costs.

MOTION: Commissioner Sidaris moved to accept Item D-3 Recreation and Parks Department Program Evaluations for file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bates and carried. (5-0)

D-4 SCHEDULING OF THE ANNUAL PARKS TOUR

Staff Woods recommended the Commission select a date and time for the annual tour of parks. The Commission at their December 12, 2002 meeting suggested scheduling the tour during the summer and to schedule the parks tour in lieu of a regular meeting. The Commission was asked if there were certain parks they would like to visit.

Commissioner Croley would like to visit Del Mar, Cloisters and Lila Keiser as they are heavily used.

Commissioner Bates suggested eliminating City Park, Coleman and the Morro Rock area, but go along the Embarcadero and see the improvements. Commissioner Sidaris agreed.

Chair Hale suggested Bayshore, Monte Young and North Point also be eliminated.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved to schedule the annual parks tour on July 27, 2010 in lieu of the regular scheduled meeting. The tour will begin at the Morro Bay Community Center at 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (5-0)

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Croley requested the Commission review the progress of the San Luis Obispo ban on smoking. Staff Woods reported San Luis Obispo just passed another smoking ordinance. He will contact San Luis Obispo for an update.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Croley, second by Commissioner Sidaris. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Wright
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