



VENTURA COUNTY
PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES
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PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC)
REGULAR MEETING

Government Center
Hall of Administration, Atlantic Conference Room
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015

4:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
Proceedings called to order at 4:02 p.m.
 2. ROLL CALL
Commissioners: Carin Kally, Paul Nicholson, Harvey Paskowitz

Staff: Ron Van Dyck, Pam Gallo, Michelle Samsel
 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Kally presides as Chair. Minutes of the July 14, 2014 PAC meeting were approved by motion made by Nicholson, seconded by Kally. All in favor.
 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None
 5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Toland Park Update
This will be discussed under Item no. 7 - Park Construction Projects Update.
 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. By Laws - Potential Meeting Date Change
Van Dyck states that there are conference room scheduling conflicts. Staff recommends that PAC meetings be held on the third Monday of the month rather than the second Monday of the month, so the PAC can continue to hold its meetings in the Atlantic Conference Room. *Nicholson makes a motion to change the dates of PAC meetings from the second Monday quarterly to the third Monday quarterly, Paskowitz seconds the motion. All in favor.*
 - B. Piru Light Permit Issues
Van Dyck states that the Parks Department is working with the County Planning Department to modify the Piru Town Center Conditional Use Permit to add the playground structure and use stadium night lighting.
 - C. Rent & Fee Schedule
Van Dyck states that staff proposes minor changes to the 2015 Parks Department Rent & Fee Schedule. Changes include security deposit fee reductions and camping fee reductions of \$1.00 per night for parks with fewer services. *Nicholson makes a motion to approve the April 1, 2015 Rent & Fee Schedule, Paskowitz seconds the motion. All in favor.*

D. Santa Rosa Valley Park Moratorium

Van Dyck states that the gate fee moratorium was lifted as of January 1, 2015.

E. Tree Grant

Van Dyck states that there is a County program for tree mitigation. If you remove a tree for a construction project, you must replace it and monitor the tree's progress for several years. If non compliant you will be fined. Parks Department received a \$75,000 grant from the Resource Management Agency for new trees and upkeep. Dennison Park and Steckel Park will be recipients.

F. Oak Park Trailhead

Van Dyck states that Simi Valley Park & Recreation (SVPR) acquired the former Rockeddyne property and they would like a new trailhead for Los Alamos Canyon in Oak Park. The two agencies are in talks and an update will be provided after Parks staff meets formally with SVPR.

7. PARK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATES

In progress and planned improvements:

Soule Park – New playground equipment, restroom renovation, replace water lines

Foster Park/Red Mountain – Restroom renovation

Toland Park – New trails, 2 new campsites, re-roof structure

8. STAFF COMMENTS

Van Dyck states that two local park commissions were disestablished. There are only two left, Oakview and Piru.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Kally commented on water conservation efforts at parks. Nicholson requests more information about Oak Park as it relates to item 6.F.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m. The next regular meeting of the PAC will be held on July 20, 2015.