



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

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013

4:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Proceedings called to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Carin Kally, Paul Nicholson

Staff: Ron Van Dyck, Theresa Lubin, Pam Gallo, Michelle J. Smith

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the April 8, 2013 were not approved due to no quorum.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Foster Park Update

Lubin stated that a small theatrical group would like to start community fundraising to acquire enough money to repair the Foster Park Bowl. Their goal is to make the bowl useable and offer small performances May through October. The discussion is in its preliminary stages. The group may address the PAC with full details in the future.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Faria Beach Fires

Van Dyck stated that three years ago, five campfire rings were removed from the park to reduce smoke after receiving complaints from Faria Beach homeowners. Recently, another Faria Beach homeowner asked the County Board of Supervisors to stop park campfires within 700 feet of houses, which is unreasonable, as the park itself is only 800 feet wide. Therefore, the current proposal is to remove nine campfire rings in the back corner of the park. The County Parks budget will be impacted negatively if campfire rings are removed. A decision should be made in January.

B. Piru (Trail & Town Square)

Van Dyck stated that the Parks Department has already taken over maintenance responsibilities of the trail and will be taking over the town square on November 1. The skate park should be turned over to us shortly thereafter. The CEO is trying to identify a funding source.

C. Toland Park

Lubin states that an off-road bicycle group is interested in developing Toland Park trails. This is currently in its preliminary stages. If feasible, we will return to the PAC with details.

- D. Hobson Park – Park Host & Concession Agreement Request for Proposal (RFP)
Van Dyck states that the new concessionaire has had good reviews from campers.
- E. Santa Rosa Valley Park Phase III – V
Lubin states that a build out of the park that may include a dog park, day use area, and campsites is under consideration.
- F. Park Ordinances
Van Dyck states that new park ordinances are going to the Board for approval. New Ordinances include minor administrative changes, memorials at parks, prohibiting fires if necessary during fire season, number of dogs allowed, and disruptive dog control. Rincon Parkway ordinances will increase illegal parking fees, length of stay, and 3rd party operations. A head on bicycle accident on the Ojai Valley Trail involving a bicycle without brakes has prompted new trail use language that would require all bicycles to have functional brakes.

7. **PARK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE**

None

8. **STAFF COMMENTS**

None

9. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

None

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.. The next regular meeting of the PAC will be held on January 13, 2014.