
City of Hollister Parks and Recreation Commission

MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Jason Ballew called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Jason Ballew led the Commission in the pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Jason Ballew, Karen Percival, and Amanda Kennison

Absent:

Also Present: Recreation Supervisor Tina Garza, Director of Management Services Mike Chambless

VERIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING

Recreation Supervisor Tina Garza informed the Commission that the agenda for the February 23, 2016 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was posted at both the Hollister Community Center and City Hall on February 19, 2016 per Government Code Section 54954.2.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Commission Percival amended the minutes under Old Business 1. **Vista Park Hill update**, City Manager Avera stated Vista Park Hill opened in November 2015.

As amended the Parks and Recreation Commission approved the January 26, 2016 meeting minutes, Chairperson Ballew called for a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Percival made a motion, while Commissioner Kennison seconds the motion. The meeting minutes were approved with a vote of 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robin Pollard mentioned the eucalyptus tree in the corner of the court house needs to be removed. Jim Ostoick is walking across America for a REACH fundraiser, to support the endowment fund visit www.reachacrossamerica.org.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Plant/Tree/Shrub List

Staff will work with a local landscape architect updating the street tree list and report at a future meeting.

2. Park Visitation Schedule

Commissioner Percival updated the PRC parks visitation schedule

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Update on City Parks** Director of Management Services Mike Chambless gave a presentation to the PR Commission displaying the recent removal of outdated play structures at various city parks, replacement of the play structures, and future upgrades to city parks.
2. **Jennifer Laine, San Benito Arts Council** presented a few resources to help improve and strengthen our community through the arts, referred to as the National Creative Place making Fund the purpose of the fund is a strategy to solve community base problems, she proposed more art type activities in the parks (Dunne Park), displaying artist work, working with special needs, and low income youth. Jennifer mentioned she would like to begin working on a few grants to provide Arts in the Park.
3. **Resignation of Commissioner Miller-** Recreation Supervisor Garza reported Commissioner Miller resigned from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

REPORTS

1. **San Benito County Parks and Recreation Commission Update** – There was no representative in attendance from the County in order to provide the Commission with an update on the recent activities of the San Benito County Parks and Recreation Commission.
2. **Recreation Program Review** - Recreation Supervisor Tina Garza provided the Commission with a brief review of the month's Recreation Division activities.
3. **Parks Division Review** – Director of Management Services, Mike Chambless provided the Commission with a monthly report of the Parks Division's activities

Next Meeting – Recreation Supervisor Tina Garza informed the Commission that the next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission would be held on Tuesday, March 29, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Parks and Recreation Commission. Commissioner Kennison made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Second was by Commissioner Percival. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Garza, Recreation Supervisor
Parks and Recreation Commission