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BIG BEAR VALLEY RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Agenda

August 17, 2010 5:00 pm Senior Center

COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 pm

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1.2 ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Pletcher, Poole, Rose, Stearns, Ybarra

Staff: Troublefield, Judd, Roth

1.3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION ITEM

2. GENERAL STAFF REPORTS –July

2.1 RECREATION REPORTS

A. Administration and Camp Activities

B. Youth and Adult Activities

2.2 MAINTENANCE REPORT

2.3 MOONRIDGE ANIMAL PARK REPORT

2.4 FACILITY USE REPORT

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Approval of July 20, 2010 Regular Meeting

ACTION ITEM

4. INFORMATION SECTION

4.1 Information

A. Financial Report –Nothing to report

5. PUBLIC FORUM RESPONSE – FROM MAY MEETING

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Chairman and Commission invite anyone wishing to address the Commission to do so at this time on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Big Bear Valley Recreation and Park District that does not appear on the agenda.

Speakers are requested to complete a Speaker Card and submit to the Commission Secretary. This procedure is requested for regularly scheduled agenda items as well as Public Comment.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

7.1 OPERATIONS REPORT

- A. Proposition 84 Update – Paradise Park and Moonridge Animal Park
- B. Zoo Relocation Update
- C. CSD Property Exchange Update
- D. Bear City Park Playground

8. REQUESTS AND REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS

9. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section: 54956.8

Reese Troublefield, General Manager, Negotiator
Property: "Pan Hot Springs"

10. ADJOURN MEETING

NOTE: NEXT REGULAR MEETING: September 21, 2010 5:00 PM. Senior Center

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Items may only be added to the agenda in accordance with Government Code Section 54950 (Brown Act).

GENERAL STAFF REPORTS

2.1 – A

Recreation Report – July 2010

Prepared by: Glenn Jacklin, Recreation Superintendent
Administration and Camp Activities

Childcare:

- July's RKC consisted of 3 weeks of camp with numbers staying above 50 kids for the one site. Field trips occurred to Swim Beach, local parks, Soak City, Bowling and Lake Gregory.
- Advertising and promotions for the new school year are taking place with the hope that all three sites can be opened.
- The last week of July was set aside for Staff Training and preparations for the new school year so all sites were closed.
- The exterior of BBE was repainted and looks great for this new school year.
- BBE and Baldwin Lane had their carpets steamed cleaned for the New Year.
- Continued thanks to Soroptimist International of Big Bear for their financial support with enrolment, the painting of Big Bear Elementary, purchases of new games and supplies at all three sites.

Instructor Classes:

- July instructor classes include Yoga, Karate, Youth Art, Gymnastics, Pickle Ball, Kick Boxing, Dog Obedience, Water Aerobics, Tennis and Youth Dance.
- A free class Chess on the Lake was added this month for the summer program of classes.

THE RANCH:

- July saw the continuation of the summer camp program with the Big Bear Sports Ranch.
- Park staff continues to work in conjunction with the Ranch to supply a quality service.
- The swimming pool continues to be used well with Swim lessons, Ranch use and Water Aerobics classes.
- Final steps have been taken to secure a large booking at the Ranch for the last weeks of August.

Recreation Administration:

- Swim lessons were transferred to the Bear Creek Resort from the Ranch pool for the last 2 weeks to accommodate the slow delivery of a repair part to the pump.
- This summer's Street Fair was cancelled due to insufficient numbers.
- The Second Coast 2 Coast soccer camp began the last week of July with enrolments reaching 30 children.

2.1 – B Recreation Report –July 2010

Prepared by: Aaron Speer, Recreation Superintendent

Youth Sports, Adult Sports, Aquatics Program, Teen and Senior Center

Youth Sports:

Coast 2 Coast Soccer and Mr. Exciting Youth Golf camps went really well.

Recreation Events:

The Movies on the beach program was a huge success. The nights were beautiful and well attended.

A huge Thank you needs to go out to the Light House Project for sponsoring this year's movie on the beach program. Do to there sponsorship of the program we able to four great titles at no charge to the public.

Each show was a great night for some good old fashion family recreation. Kids were kept occupied with the playground, the bounce house, and on the beach playing and running around. As the sun set families were able to enjoy a great movie.

Adult Sports:

Men's Soccer is in full swing every Sunday.

Women's Softball has began has 9 teams playing Mon-Wed nights at Sugarloaf park.

Men's Softball leagues have also begun. There two leagues 13 teams total that play Monday through Thursday at Meadow Park.

Aquatics:

The month of July has been the busiest summer month for swim beach ever. Days that are open to the public, the beached has been filled with people taking advantage of the beautiful setting swim beach provides. Private Rentals have also kept be busy on Tues & Wednesday when the beach is closed to the public.

Swimming lessons were also well attended. We are so lucky to have such a fabulous staff of instructors who make the program awesome.

2.2 Maintenance Department Report – July 2010

Prepared by: Dennis Fuerstenberg, Maintenance Superintendent

In addition to general maintenance, cleaning of District facilities, the maintenance crew completed the following:

General

All parks are in full use being mowed and weed whipped restrooms are being stocked and maintained. Serviced all District Fire Extinguishers.

Bear City Park

Substantial weed abatement.

Erwin Park

Repaired sections of barrier fence between parking lot and park.

Meadow Park

Began culvert drainage project. Finished grading portion of the project.

Miller Park

Repaired playground surface. Repaired seated wall in the playground structure.

RKC – Baldwin

Repaired damage to ADA ramp.

Ski Beach Park

Installed "Swim at you own risk" signage.

Tennis Ranch

Installed new interior kitchen door. Removed old split rail fencing which was falling down. Requested material bids for replacement fence: 750 feet of new log fencing on Erwin Ranch road and the interior of the ranch. Put up new wood fence around well site for security. Ordered new exterior commercial steel doors for rear of kitchen. Graded ground for proper drainage.

Zoo

Ordered new 18 foot slide gate for employee entrance will install as soon as it arrives.

2.3

Moonridge Animal Park Report – July 2010

Prepared by: Debbie Richardson, Curator

Education:

1. Off site programs have decreased in number, but will pick up again in September when school starts again.
2. The new amphitheater is complete and the pathway down to it is nearly finished. We should be able to start shows soon. We are currently very short staffed however and it may take a while to be able to do shows.
3. We are working on painting a mural along the cargo container so it looks nice for the show area.

Maintenance:

1. There is one small section of fencing going down to the new stage that needs to be replaced, but there is a temporary chain link fence there right now.
2. Some of the patron fences are being reinforced and fixed around the zoo, as well as a few of the fences in the cages that need repair work done.
3. We will be starting on the mews and another cage in the wolf overlook area as soon as all the repair work in the zoo is done. The patrons seem to enjoy being able to see both groups of wolves along the amphitheater pathway.

Animals:

1. There are several animals in training right now to do shows at the zoo. The new coyote Bonsai, two of the baby raccoons, Gibbs and Abbey, (the other two are being worked offsite), several of our birds of prey including a new kestrel that we may try to fly in the shows, the Canadian lynx and several others.
2. Our new part time veterinarian Dr. Folse has started working and is there every Monday and Tuesday.
3. Several of our rehabilitation animals from this year have already been released and we will be releasing two more Ravens this week.
4. We have introduced the two newest male coyotes and they are doing very well together in the old red fox exhibit. We have not left the younger one Bonsai in with Tango overnight yet because Tango sometimes has seizures and we don't know how Bonsai will respond to that. His seizures were being controlled with medication but he recently had another one. We placed him on a second medication and it seems to be working well.

Administration:

1. The zoo was featured on the channel 11 news last week. The broadcast several live feeds from the facility. We actually got quite a few people coming in that had seen the clips. That same week we repeated on California Gold, which always ups our attendance.
2. Plans are being made for a couple of exhibits down in the show area that will allow us to get our Sand hill cranes back on public view, as well as some of the ducks currently in the old beaver exhibit. This will allow us to open up the exhibit for more beaver or perhaps another animal.
3. We are putting together a list of equipment and supplies that are needed to bring our medical area up and working. We are looking at turning the one small office in the medical area into a surgical room.

2.4

Facilities Use Report – July 2010

Prepared by: Michele Roth, Office Assistant II

Dana Point: There were no rentals this month.

District Office Meeting Room: Art and yoga classes were held. We also had meetings of Soroptimist, Trails Coalition, the SB County Dept of Health Food Handlers test and Rainbow Kids.

Erwin Lake Park: There was a birthday party held at the park. (\$60)

Meadow Park Ball Field: BBVRPD co-sponsored the Bevwood Fun Camp and there was Coast2Coast Soccer Camp held at the field.

Meadow Park and Shelter: There were no rentals this month.

Miller Park: B'Nai Big Bear held their regular monthly meetings. (\$200)

Orville Warren Community Center (Gym) Regular classes of Karate, Kickboxing, Gymnastics, and Dance were held.

Ranch Rentals: Big Bear Sports Camps were in session this month.

Ranch Soccer Fields: The fields are not being used for the season yet.

Senior Center: The seniors have their on-going activities. Bingo and Senior Nutrition lunches on Monday. There was a memorial service. (\$540)

Ski Beach: There were no rentals this month.

Sugarloaf Ball Field: There were no rentals this month.

Sugarloaf Shelter: The Amateur Radio Club held an event. (\$50)

Swim Beach: Bear Valley Kids Camp rented the beach twice. (\$650)

(total facilities rentals \$1500)

3.1

BIG BEAR VALLEY RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMISSION

July 20, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Poole called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1.2 ROLL CALL

Present: Pletcher, Poole, Rose, Ybarra

Absent: Stearns

Staff: Troublefield, Judd

1.3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 1

Commissioner Ybarra moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Pletcher.

AYES: Pletcher, Poole, Rose, Ybarra

2. GENERAL STAFF REPORTS :

2.1 RECREATION REPORTS

A. Administration and Camp Activities – Commission reviewed the report of June 2010 which highlighted childcare, instructor classes, the Ranch, and administration.

B. Youth and Adult Activities – Commission reviewed the report for June 2010 which highlighted Youth Sports, the Youth and Senior Centers, Adult Sports and upcoming Recreation programming for the summer. General Manager reported that summer programming is going well; Swim Beach is busy and Movies in the Park has been well received. Staff is busy and doing a great job.

Tina Nazarian, Senior Center Coordinator reported that Senior Nutrition attendance is up 30%. 400 seniors come to the center each week and most stay 3 to 4 hours each time. A trip to the Aquarium of the Pacific is being planned for this week. Kiwanis sponsored Bingo is getting busy. SCOBV is taking over the Thursday Breakfast and everyone is really happy with the program.

2.2 MAINTENANCE REPORT

The report for June 2010 was reviewed and highlighted general maintenance, restroom inspection & repair district wide. General Manager Troublefield reported that the Maintenance staff is working very hard. He reported that there is work to do at Bear City Park but the rest of our facilities are in great shape. Signage is being placed at Ski Beach stating there is no lifeguard on duty – swim at your own risk.

2.3 MOONRIDGE ANIMAL PARK REPORT

The commission reviewed the report for June 2010 highlighting education, maintenance, and animal care. General Manager Troublefield reported that the Commission just toured the zoo and viewed the stage and new enclosures. They were the lucky audience for the Zoo's very first show.

2.4 FACILITY USE REPORT

The commission reviewed the report for June 2010.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the May 18, 2010 Regular Meeting

Motion 2

Commissioner Rose moved to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Ybarra.

AYES: Pletcher, Poole, Rose, Ybarra

4. INFORMATION SECTION

4.1 Information Section

A. Financial Report – Commission reviewed the financial report for June 2010.

5. PUBLIC FORUM RESPONSE – FROM JUNE MEETING

Nothing to report

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Leonard Chaidez, Sugarloaf presented the commission with a letter he has sent to DAAS. He reported that he is shocked by the amount of funding Big Bear received when compared to Crest Forest. He has requested a signed letter from the Undersecretary of the USDA approving the lack of meals served in Big Bear. He has also asked for the Methodology of how DAAS decides who gets funding and the amount given. He has met with Jane Adams, Deputy Director of DAAS and expressed his concern. Chaidez stated that Big Bear is being robbed and encouraged the commissioners to become advocates for the Senior Nutrition Program.

By consensus, the Commission directed staff to write a letter to Jane Adams in support of the Senior Nutrition program.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

7.1 OPERATIONS REPORT

A. Prop 84 Update

Park District: General Manager Troublefield reported that the District should have an answer on our grant application in September. He is excited that we have had a site visit and reported that he has only heard of two other districts who have received a site visit. If we receive the requested 2.5 million dollars, we will have the nicest park in San Bernardino County.

Moonridge Animal Park: The District requested 3 million dollars to supplement the 7.5 million that we currently have. The Native American tie to the zoo and the Valley allowed us to present a great application. The award date is January 1, 2011.

B. Zoo Relocation Update

The property has closed escrow and we are getting ready to start the CQUA in the next 30 days. There have been two collaborative meetings which included: Supervisor Neil Derry, Deputy Chief of Staff Steve Hauer, Jeff Rigney, City Manager Jeff Mathieu, Kym Murphy, The President of the FOMZ, and PGAV. (The Zoo Builder). Engineering is moving forward. The target date for completion is May 2012.

- C. Zoo Project Updates – Current Zoo
Staff is working diligent to clean up the current zoo so we are prepared for Prop 84 grant site visits as well as regulatory visits. While working hard to improve the zoo, staff is also very aware of costs associated with the improvements and is striving hard to get the biggest bang for our buck. We need to keep the zoo looking great.
- D. CSD Property Exchange Update
General Manager Troublefield explained that the County attorneys are currently reviewing the land swap documents which include the center parcel at Bear City Park, the Lions Club building, the well site, property at Sugarloaf adjacent to the fire station in return for a 40 yr. lease on the Paradise Park property for \$1 per year with an option for an additional 10 years and ownership of Erwin Park property.
- E. Sugarloaf Skate Park Renovation
The new cement surface is completed at Sugarloaf Skate Park and the project is done.
- F. Bear City Park Renovation
We are waiting for a Purchase Order for the new playground. We will order as soon as we receive it and it will be installed by our certified Maintenance crew. We are also waiting for stimulus funding to renovate the restroom and picnic shelter.

8. REQUESTS AND REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Rose – Thanked Reese for the Park tour. She reported that she played softball at Sugarloaf Park and loved the park. She said “Adults love parks too!”

Ybarra – Thanked for the tour. He said he has been watching the improvements at the ranch and things have really improved in the last 4 months.

9. ADJOURN MEETING

8.1 NEXT MEETING

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 5:00 pm

8.2 ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Poole adjourned the regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

ATTEST:

Lorie Judd, Secretary

Dr. Kathryn Poole, Chairman

