Riverside County
Regional Park & Open-Space
District Advisory Commission Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2015, 1:30 p.m.
Idyllwild Town Hall
25925 Cedar Street
Idyllwild, CA 92549
951/955-4398

MINUTES

1.0 Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by CM Rosen.

3.0 Roll Call – Commissioners Present: Kinne (I), Balys (I), Chair Hake (II), Christensen (II), Migliore (III), Grady (at large), Van Horn (IV), Rosen (V), and Zimmerman (V); Commissioners Absent: Byrd (III), and Stendell (IV); Staff Present: Bangle, Brown, Herron, Brewer, Rull, Baird, and Luciano.

4.0 Approval of Minutes - Action
The minutes of May 7, 2015 were approved as printed. (M/S/C Balys, Rosen).

5.0 Special Recognition
At the DAC workshop, BC Brown introduced Kyle Embry, new Superintendent of Recreation.

BC Brown introduced Jacqueline Rodriguez, new Recreation Coordinator for Idyllwild Town Hall.

Mr. Brewer introduced Paul Rull, and Yun Baird new Park Planners.

6.0 Public Comments Related to Fish and Game
Mr. Eric Chan from California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 6 gave an update on “fishing in the city”.

Many questions were brought up to Mr. Chan, some of which were addressed. Chair Hake asked that Mr. Chan be put on a future DAC agenda and return so that all possible questions can be addressed properly.

7.0 Items of Interest Related to Fish and Game – Information.

8.0 Fish and Game Related Business
8.1 Fish & Game Trust Fund – Information
The Fish and Game fund balance is $9,626.42.
9.0 Public Comments Related to the Regional Park & Open-Space District
The following people spoke in support of Sunny the cat staying at the Idyllwild Nature Center:
Christine Rheaume, Jacquelin Siff, Janice Murasko, and De Eskew
Also, a petition in support of Sunny with approximately 145 signatures was presented.

The following person spoke regarding McCall Park being opened up to non-equestrian and the profits not being made:
Cary Lewis

The following person spoke regarding the lack of marketing of Riverside County Parks:
Laura Densmore

Chair Hake closed the public comment.

10.0 Trails Committee Report
CM Kinne made mention of one opening on the Trails Committee for district 5 and that anyone interested should apply directly on the 5th District website.

11.0 Old Business – None.

12.0 New Business
12.1 Lease Agreement for Bogart Park – Action
Job Code 2015-5
Scott Bangle, General Manager
GM Bangle presented the Commission with lease agreement modifications including, but not limited to, assignment and or termination.

There were no speakers in support of this matter in attendance.

The following people spoke in opposition of the matter:
Sharon Hamilton, Matthew Poelstra, Steve Harrison, Gerry Cody, Dave Harrison, Terry Cox, Laura Densmore, Gerry Cody Sr., Matt Kearney and Nancy Carroll

Chair Hake closed the public comment.

CM Kinne motioned for GM Bangle to solicit alternative proposals and bring this item back to DAC for further discussion/review by the Commission.

CM Rosen amended motion and added when this item returns to the DAC, the meeting be held at a location near the Beaumont/Cherry Valley area.

The Commission approved to support the lease agreement modifications including, but not limited to, assignment and or termination, with the following recommendations above.

(M/S/C Hugh, Migliore)

12.2 Election of Chair of the District Advisory Commission for 2015/16 – Action
Job Code – 2015-6
Nominations were opened and Daniel Hake was nominated to serve as Chair for FY 2015/16.
Daniel Hake was elected as Chair of the District Advisory Commission for FY 2015/16. (M/S/C Balys, Grady)

12.3 Election of Vice Chair of the District Advisory Commission for 2015/16 – Action
Job Code 2015-7
Nominations were opened and Mark Balys, Martin Rosen and Hugh Van Horn were nominated to serve as Vice Chair for FY 2015/16.

Mark Balys was elected as Vice Chair of the District Advisory Commission for FY 2015/16. (M/S/C Hake, Christensen)

12.4 City of Jurupa Valley Potential Land Transfer – Information
Paul Rull, Park Planner
Mr. Rull gave a report regarding the City of Jurupa Valley potential land transfer.

12.5 Box Springs Mountain Reserve: Comprehensive Trails Plan – Receive & File
Marc Brewer, Senior Park Planner
Job Code 2015-8
Mr. Brewer gave a report on the Box Springs Mountain Reserve Comprehensive Trails Plan.

12.6 7 Mile Box Springs Feeder Trail – Action
Scott Bangle, General Manager
Job Code 2015-9
GM Bangle reviewed the preliminary disposition process with the Commission.

Various questions were asked by the Commission, which were addressed.

The Commission approved the preliminary disposition process. (M/S/C Rosen, Balys), CM Christensen, abstained

13.0 Commissioners Report – Information
Commissioner Kinne stated that up until recently there was a sign at McCall Park that read “McCall Memorial Park, Equestrian Campground” the new sign has left out the word “Equestrian”, this has caused a lot of concern with the Equestrian community.

BC Brown stated that the signs were updated to reflect the change in our fees and the word “Equestrian” was unintentionally left off. The District does plan to allow day use and camping of non-equestrians because the park is not being filled up by equestrians. The District Staff are talking with the equestrians to get their input on where would be the best possible location for non-equestrians so that there is will not be interference with the equestrian campers. At this time no changes will be made to allow non equestrian campers due to the water issue and not having a camp host location on site.

CM Kinne is concerned about the safety of the comingling of non-equestrian with the equestrians.

CM Van Horn inquired about where the liability would be if a non-equestrian was to be injured by a horse or vice versa.

Chair Hake requested that his item be brought back to the next meeting as an official agenda item to discuss the concerns by the Commissioners.

BC Brown agreed to bring back more information the Commissioners at the next meeting.
Commissioner Balys had nothing to report.

Commissioner Hake had nothing to report.

Commissioner Christensen had nothing to report.

Commissioner Migliore had nothing to report.

Commissioner Grady proud to announce that this is his eleventh year serving on the DAC Commission. In his eleven years on the Commission he has seen that parks have grown with much more recreation, and he feels as though recreation is getting all of the attention which in turn the older park are being neglected. Has requested if this issue could possibly be address in the specific plan, so that they are not being neglected. Visited Mayflower Park three this year and all three times he damaged his boat and trailer due to the ramp being too short.

Commissioner Van Horn was in Ojai and visited a trail that goes from Ojai to Ventura. The trail is being used by skateboarders, horses, walkers and bike riders of all ages, thought that was very cool see.

CM Van Horn announced that he was reappointed to the District Advisory Commission for a new term.

Commissioner Rosen noted that the tentative trails map was approved by the Wine Country Ad-Hoc Committee, and since then was also been approved by the County Trails Committee on February 25, 2015, and by the District Advisory Commission on May 7, 2015.

CM Rosen also mentioned that the State Secretary of Agriculture has denied the County’s request for creating a ban on wood chip. Firewood and mulch coming into the County from contaminated areas around us.

CM Rosen attended the Flowrider dedication to Charlene Busch at the DropZone Waterpark. CM Stated that the Supervisor is now talking about the next addition to the Waterpark, which he believes, should happen every 1 to 2 years.

Lastly, CM Rosen stated that Supervisor Ashley has asked the District to look into the possibility of creating an RV Park next door to DropZone Waterpark.

Commissioner Zimmerman stated he looks forward to working with the District Advisory Commission. CM Zimmerman would also like to work towards retaining some local water polo teams to be able to use the Dropzone Waterpark.

14.0 Park District Status Reports – Information
Scott Bangle, General Manager
14.1 Miscellaneous Items of Interest
GM Bangle reviewed the General Manager’s report.

15.0 Next Meeting – September 3, 2015, 1:30 p.m., Park District Headquarters, 4600 Crestmore Road, Jurupa Valley, CA 92509.

The November 5, 2015 meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m., Moses-Schafer Community Center, 21565 Steele Park Drive, Perris, CA 92570.
16.0 Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m. (M/S/C Migliore, Christensen)

Scott Bangle, General Manager
Secretary to the District Advisory Commission