

**PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
RANCHO BERNARDO COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUP
March 20, 2024
7:00pm
Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center
18448 West Bernardo Drive San Diego CA, 92127**

CALL TO ORDER- President Robin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Members: Robin Kaufman, Katie Newbanks, Tiffany Coles, Michelle Castin, Jared Norton, Andy Kutzner, Trevor Christensen, Dani Antique. Staff: Mark Moncey (Area Manager), Tonya Thomas (Center Director).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Motion made Katie Newbanks/Andy Kutzner to approve the December 2023 minutes as presented. Motion passed 7-0-1 with Dani Antique abstaining as she was not present.

TREASURERS REPORT – None.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS: In accordance with the City, this portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Council on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Council. (Comments relating to items on today's Agenda are to be taken at the time the item is heard). Comments will be limited to (3) three minutes and are non-debatable. A resident commented on the three (3) meetings where proposed pickleball was discussed.

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES – None.

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT –

- Complaints of e-bikes through the park
- Issues with lights out on field 6
- Complaints people aren't picking up after their dogs in the dog pens and when walking their dogs
- compliments on fixing the lights in the parking lots
- compliments on the large signage indicating the field numbers
- a number of inquiries about tennis
- a couple of inquiries of renting the gazebo and other areas
- grill rental inquiry
- we received a large amount of public support regarding transforming the old lawn bowling area to turf for multi-recreational purposes
- we received a request for a very large church event in September, renting the gazebo and reserving two of the fields.
- After meeting with city arborists, it was agreed that the owl boxes made by the girl scouts for their silver project were just too large to install on any pole or tree. Due to my connections with the Safari Park, I was able to discuss 'donating' the owl boxes to the park. After meeting with one of the avian curators, it was agreed that Project Wildlife in Ramona would be able to make

immediate use of them. I'm happy to say that Safari Park staff was able to deliver the boxes in person for us.

CITY STAFF REPORT –

Area Manager:

- Mark Moncey introduced Tonya Thomas as our new center director. After 10 years as our center director, Eric McDonald has a new position in the Ocean Beach area
- Fields 3 through 6 have been renovated
- The security lights have been repaired
- Some ball field lights are out. An order has been put in to fix them
- The design portion of the dog park enhancement project has been completed. It will eventually go out to bid for contractors.
- New lights on field 2 and 4 will be installed
- We now have more staff at the center
- Mark Moncey is working with Aztec to keep the park in shape.

*Andy Kutzner commented on water issues on fields 3 and 7.

Recreation Center Director:

- Tonya Thomas introduced herself. She was the assistant center director here for a few years before moving to another center.
- A work ticket was put in for the water issues on field 7. They will check into the field 3 issue
- She's presently planning a spring fling. Anyone who would like to volunteer can contact her.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Parks I Area Committee – None.

Community Council – Voted on a letter pertaining to income-graded fixed electricity charges; a fundraiser to partner with the RBCC Foundation; approved the annual directors and officers liability insurance; approved a collection box for the recent flood victims; reviewed information for the annual earth day fair.

Planning Board – Approved sending a letter regarding the draft environmental justice element for the city's general plan; approved a request for the planning department to provide more time for comments on the blueprint San Diego plan and draft environmental impact report.

Ed Brown Senior Center – Kim Lang sent an email stating their board meeting is on the same night. No further information was submitted after two (2) requests.

Rancho Bernardo Tennis Club- Scott Davis submitted a report commenting they have a strong waiting list.

Dog Park Issues – trash cans need to be addressed a bit more; questions on the status of the dog park upgrade project.

Youth Sports – All are doing fine. More youth are signing up than last year. Concerns related to enough practice/play times due to space availability.

ACTION ITEMS In following the procedures of the City, if any non-member has a comment on any agenda items, they will be afforded the opportunity to make a comment prior to each voting item. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes and are non-debatable.

101. Utilization of Kiwanis Funds: Motion made Katie Newbanks/Andy Kutzner to approve the following items: new sound system with mixer, jumpy house, shade canopies. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0. Robin Kaufman will reach out to the club with our requests.

102. Confirmation of Local Bands at Movies in the Park: Robin Kaufman suggested we add local band music to the events prior to the movie. She is aware of a couple of bands in the community who would be interested. Motion made Robin Kaufman/Michelle Catin to pursue this matter. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

103. Purchase of New Santa Chair: Center Director Tonya Thomas proposed purchasing a new Santa Chair. The present one has several scratches on the wood frame. She found one for a little less than \$800. Motion made Michelle Castin/Katie Newbanks to obtain a new one through Kiwanis funds, not to exceed \$800. Motion passed.

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201. Update on Movies in the Park: Deadline to pick movies was sooner than initially anticipated. Due to some movie rights, the following movies were available: July 13: Trolls 4 and August 10: Little Mermaid.

202. Update on Glassman Brown Leadership Award: Sally Grigoriev and Andy Kutzer were appointed as co-chairs for this annual recognition. Andy commented Sally has been very helpful in obtaining contact information for the different user groups and we're fast approaching the deadline.

WORKSHOP – None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Regular Meeting (if there are action items):
Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 7 pm
Facility: Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center
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