



CITY OF OAKDALE
Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes
Tuesday, January 13, 2015
5:00 PM
277 North Second Avenue
Oakdale, CA 95361

1-2. CALL TO ORDER/COMMISSIONERS PRESENT/ABSENT:

Chairperson Hanley called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Present: Natasha Hanley, Chairperson
 Jim Cates
 Michael Eggener
 John Lane

Absent: Don Duke

Staff Present: Bryan Whitemyer, City Manager
 Linda Royalty, Recreation Supervisor
 Nancy Smith, Administrative Clerk

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Michael Hancock expressed his concerns with the vagrants causing problems by the river at Cottles Wood Trail. Some of the problems he stated were that the infrastructure of the trails is being compromised, the lights on the trail had to be removed after the copper wiring was taken, graffiti on the fencing, garden area wall and cell tower. Bryan Whitemeyer also expressed his concerns and said it is one of his top priorities. City Council will need to address the problem and introduce some new ordinances.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of November 4, 2015 continued to March 10, 2015 meeting.

6. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION SCHEDULED MATTERS:

A. Old Business

1. Burchell Hill Trail Trees Update

Bryan Whitemeyer thanked Mike Hancock for putting bid together for stump grinding. There were concerns about damaging irrigation by stump grinding so additional plants will be added to hide stumps. Garden Club will work with Swift Landscaping to complete the work.

2. Dorada Park Play Structure Update

Bryan Whitemeyer met with several community groups regarding the project. Rotary will act as the clearinghouse for donated funds. A meeting with community groups will be held to put together a committee and move the project forward. The project will be brought to City Council for approval to proceed.

3. South Yosemite Community Park/Skate Park –

Bryan Whitemeyer reported that the rough grading is being done in the next couple of weeks which will help with the bid process for the project. In February PG&E will be doing the underground electrical work. There are several things that need to be addressed, including railroad crossing arms on J Street, sidewalks, closing H Street and ADA issues.



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4. Valley View River Access Trail update

Bid requests will be going out soon to begin construction on the project.

B. New Business

1. Don Osborne Run for the Library Co-Sponsorship Request from Oakdale Lions Club

Alan Graham presented proposal requesting the City of Oakdale co-sponsor the Don Osborne Run for the Library event on February 7, 2015.

MOTION

To approve the City Co-Sponsorship with the Oakdale Lions Club for the Don Osborne Run for the Library event on February 7, 2015.

Moved by Commissioner Cates, seconded by Commissioner Lane and **CARRIED.**

AYES: Cates, Eggener, Hanley, Lane
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: Duke
 ABSTAIN: None

7. RECREATION UPDATE:

Linda Royalty reported the following: Spring Fest, co-sponsored with the Kiwanis Club of Oakdale will be held at Kerr Park on April 4, 2015; World events Sports is doing their basketball program; OBA and OVYSA are currently taking sign-ups. She distributed the Senior Center newsletter. She announced that the March Commission meeting agenda will include City of Oakdale Park Reservation Policy update and Stanislaus Advocacy Action Team's report for smoke-free parks.

8. PARKS UPDATE:

Bryan Whitemeyer reported that TL Davis Park will be closed in February for turf maintenance. The cost to maintain the park is \$18,000 which is paid evenly between the City, Oakdale Joint Unified School District and the Oakdale Youth Sports Association. Rolando Avila and the City are working on a plan for the park maintenance and improvements, including catch basins, replacing bathrooms and lighting at Dorada, Gilbert and Kerr Parks.

9. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Eggener attended the Wes Stewart Bench Dedication and noted it was a very nice service. He commented that Cowboy Christmas was very good this year. He also reported that The Valley View Memorial Tree will be replaced. Chairperson Hanley thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Commission Cates thanked Mike Hancock for bringing the vagrant situation to the attention of the Commission Commission and thanked Bryan Whitemeyer for his good work. Commissioner Cates suggested having a Commission member attend the January 20th City Council Meeting.



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10. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Bryan Whitemeyer commented that crack sealing is currently being done on City streets to avoid additional damage to the streets. He also reported that the City is currently under budget and the financial outcome is doing better.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chairperson Hanley adjourned the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Smith
Administrative Clerk