

Lake Havasu City
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Monday, August 28, 2017
Lake Havasu City Police Facility Meeting Room
2360 McCulloch Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

Summary Minutes

Call to Order: Vice-Chairman Scott Welte called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Leo Biasiucci, Jason Keough, Robert Smith, Chuck Vaughn, Scott Welte, Mark Zieff,

Excused: Ashley Pascual

Call to Public: N/A

Minutes: Approval of the minutes of meeting on July 24, 2017; Member Jason Keough moved to approve as written; seconded by Chuck Vaughn and unanimously carried by the Board.

Staff Report:

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Recreation Services Manager, Mike Keane updated the Board; Division Fall/Winter Brochures have been distributed throughout the community; After School Program currently 526 participants registered, 2016 has 510 participants registered; New After School Program enrichment opportunities include a Performing Arts program at each school site and interested children will perform the Wizard of Oz and Young Artist art program; Currently accepting registration for Flag Football and Cheerleading, staff is looking for volunteers to help coach.

The Aquatic Division reported the Learn to Swim classes will resume in September with classes running on Monday and Wednesday nights; Lake Havasu High School will host home swim meets on September 7th, 14^h, 23rd, and 28th; evening lap swim will resume in September.

Events going on at the Community Center are River Medical Paramedic Graduation on September 15th, Dance Creations Recital on September 16th and a private party on September 23rd.

Phase 1 of the new shade structure at Rotary Park is complete. The all-inclusive playground has two large sail shades overtop. There will be two additional phases budget permitting. Member Jason Keough asked about two pieces of equipment that were removed from the all-inclusive playground. Mike Keane was unaware of any removal but would look into it. Rotary ballfields are closed for overseeding, they will reopen mid-October.

Trails Subcommittee Report – Mike Keane

Mike Keane reported the trails subcommittee is discussing the possible use of the old armory site for an equestrian and/or Arizona peach trail staging area. Amec Foster Wheeler will be holding a meeting on September 19th from 6-8 p.m. at the Council Chambers to get public input on pedestrian/bicycle implementation.

Public Hearing:

Review of Summer Camp Programs

Recreation Summer Program survey results were emailed to Board; Mike Keane explained he would like to see an increase in participation in the survey. He is happy with the result of the surveys turned in. Recreation is looking at different ways to offer the survey; currently participants take it home and bring back a filled out survey.

Rotary Park Wellsite Idea Discussion

Mike Keane explained he has been tasked with getting community input and feedback on how to utilize the Rotary Park Wellsite. Area is approximately 240' long by 45' wide. Few ideas so far have been: restrooms, youth fitness area and basketball courts. Mark Clark did recommend Board members go and look at the area to better visualize what would work there and asked they keep in mind there are utility lines running under that area. Member Chuck Vaughn asked how much space would be needed for half basketball court. Mike Keane indicated about 50' would be needed. Member Chuck Vaughn suggested a handball court. Vice-Chairman Scott Welte feels a youth fitness area would be a great idea and would provide a great benefit to our community's children. He also felt a handball court was a good suggestion. Member Mark Zieff thinks an obstacle court geared for youth would be a great addition.

Capital Improvement Projects Update:

a. Cypress Park

Mike Keane reported equipment has arrived on site. Company should be beginning any day now. Vice-Chairman Scott Welte said he has driven by and they have already moved a lot of dirt. He has received a few concerns regarding dust control.

b. SARA Park Trailhead

Mike Keane reported Havasu Youth Advisory Council is working with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to celebrate National Public Lands Day by making improvements to the SARA Park Trailhead on September 30, 2017, from 7am to 9am. If you are interested in volunteering during the event you will need to go through the City volunteer process. Please visit the City website at www.lhcaz.gov, click on "volunteering" in the search bar, and then click "Register to Volunteer." After entering your personal information, select the area of interest "Community Beautification" under the "Maintenance Services" section. After following quick easy steps to register, you will receive an email confirmation with additional instructions. Volunteers will assist with planting

native plants and moving small and large rock. Vice-Chairman Scott Welte asked if the restrooms are operational. Mike Keane stated they are open for use. Member Mark Zieff asked about signage right before the entrance to the parking lot at the trailhead. He suggested some caution signage be posted alerting drivers that there may be pedestrians ahead. Member Jason Keough asked that this event be posted to the Parks & Recreation Facebook page.

Future Agenda Items:

SARA Sports Complex Update
Non-motorized Watercraft Launch at London Bridge Beach

Future Meetings:

September 25, 2017 at the PD Meeting Room

Adjournment: There being no further business, Member Chuck Vaughn moved for adjournment 6:28 p.m.; seconded by Member Leo Biasiucci and unanimously carried by the Board.