

MINUTES – MORRO BAY RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING –JANUARY 20, 2011
VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING – 5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hale called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Commissioner Munoz, Commissioner Sidaris, Commissioner Ayoob, Chair Hale, Staff Woods. ABSENT: Commissioner Bates, Commissioner Croley.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Hale reported the Morro Bay Community Foundation realized great results from their year-end campaign. The Foundation received over \$6,500 that will be used to provide scholarships for children to participate in youth sports, Kids' Club and other recreation activities. She also mentioned the Morro Bay Community Foundation will be presenting the Annual Dixon's Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, March 25th from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. at the Morro Bay community Center.

Staff Woods said that the participants at Kids' Club have submitted artwork for the poster to advertise the Spaghetti Dinner. Staff has brought them for the Commission to pick winners from each grade as well as an overall winner. The drawing of the overall winner will appear on the event poster.

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the Commission, the following items are approved without discussion.

Commissioner Sidaris pulled Item A-4, Recreation and Parks Department Status Report.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 23, 2010 MEETING

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-2 CITIZEN'S REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-3 YOUTH SERVICES SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2010
SPORTS AND FITNESS SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2010

FACILITIES AND PARK USE FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2010

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-4 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

Staff Woods reported the City sent out Requests for Proposals to provide street sweeping services for the City. SP Maintenance was awarded the contract and will begin street sweeping service February 8, 2011. There will be more frequency of service and an estimated annual savings of \$14,000.

Staff has contracted with K.D. Janni contractors to renovate the playing fields at Lila Keiser Park. The work began in December and is scheduled to be completed by late February. Due to the renovation the Department had to cancel Coed Soccer this season.

Staff is working with Jan DiLeo in the preparation of the Prop 84 grant application. Public community meetings will be held starting in February to update and validate the current site Master Plan. Meetings will be held February 7th, 9th and 10th at the Teen Center.

Commissioner Munoz encouraged teens and middle school students to attend the meetings and present their ideas of what they would like to see.

Chair Hale asked what means of communication is the Department using to let people know about the meetings. Staff Woods said we are advertising through the schools with flyers, information has been provided to the newspapers and it is on the City website.

MOTION: Commissioner Sidaris moved the Commission approve Consent Calendar Items A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4 for file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Munoz and carried. (4-0)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

D. NEW BUSINESSs

D-1 REVIEW OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR AN AQUATICS CENTER AND RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

Staff Woods recommended the Commission review and discuss the Morro Bay Community Aquatics Center Memorandum of Understanding and make recommendations to be forwarded to City Council. He added there will be no financial impact realized through the discussion of the MOU. However, if it is

determined that the MOU is approved and a Joint Powers Authority is created, a financial impact would be realized. Future financial impacts are difficult to estimate at this time. San Luis Coastal Unified School District has agreed to annex a portion of their property at the Morro Elementary site for a Community Aquatics Center. The \$15,000 that was allocated for Phase 2 will be used toward design and consulting services. Under the MOU the City will provide and/or coordinate seven days per week, twelve months per year programming and staffing for public access. The City will also commit to provide a portion of the financial support needed for the second phase feasibility study and may provide a portion of the financial support needed to maintain the Aquatics Center once the facility is operational and open to the public for use.

Commissioner Munoz asked if this was final document. He also asked if the \$5 million that we are applying for would cover most of the cost of half of the grant. Staff replied it is a commitment from the stakeholders to move forward with the project. Staff added that Prop 84 is not a matching grant and the maximum you can apply for is \$5 million. It is hard to determine what the cost of the project will be as it is not well defined.

Chair Hale commented on the MOU and that it is mostly for intent. She asked if there would be further discussion on operating the facility seven days a week. Staff said as we move forward with discussion we will probably be open as much as possible, not to constrain the community. Being open seven days a week will probably be favorable to being funded and we are looking for the maximum points on the application and the maximum use of the facility by the community.

Commissioner Ayoob stated the Morro Elementary site is a great place to have the pool.

MOTION: Commissioner Sidaris moved to forward the Memorandum of Understanding for an Aquatics Center as presented to the City Council. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ayoob and carried. (4-0)

D-2 RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION DATE

Staff recommends the Recreation and Parks Commission review their meeting time, day and frequency and forward a recommendation to the City Council for approval. At their December meeting, City Council changed their regular monthly meeting from the second and fourth Mondays to the second and fourth Tuesdays. This change bumped the Recreation and Parks Commission meeting and requires the Commission to reschedule their regular meeting day. Staff presented two options, the third Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. or the first Thursday at 5:00 p.m. Staff added that there is consideration to have the Commission meet every other month with the Public Works Advisory Board meeting the alternate months on the same day. The RPC would meet in the odd months and PWAB the even months. If meetings were held on the third Thursday of the month it would relieve maintenance staff of multiple meeting set-ups as the Planning Commission is looking to meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month and Community Promotions and TBID both meet earlier in the day on the third Thursday of the month.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved to recommend to the City Council that the Recreation and Parks Commission meet on the third Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. and meet every other month. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (4-0)

D-3 SLOCAPRA COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP AT HEARST CASTLE, FEBRUARY 26, 2011

Staff Woods commented SLOCAPRA (San Luis Obispo County Association of Parks and Recreation Administrators) holds a Commissioners' Workshop each year at Hearst Castle. This year's workshop will focus on 'Building Better Connections' and will be held on February 26th. The cost of the workshop is covered by the Department Budget and we are looking for your participation. Staff would like to know if you are planning to attend by the first week of February.

No action required.

D-4 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT PROGRAM EVALUATIONS

Staff Woods presented the Program Evaluation for the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting. Unfortunately, this annual family oriented community event was rained out and an alternative date is not set due to costs. Program costs totaled \$516.00 and the cost allocation total was \$514.00 for a total cost of \$1,030.00. This program is classified under the Basic Service category, which has a target revenue goal of 0-10% cost recovery of program and support costs.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved to accept the Recreation and Parks Department Program Evaluations for file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (4-0)

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Hale would like an update on the status of the Pool MOU. She also commented that we have Adopt-a-Park and would like to explore perhaps adopting parts of the City landscape that gets damage during the storms. She mentioned the bike path near the power plant and the pathway at Cloisters that prohibits access to the lookout.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Munoz, second Commissioner Sidaris. The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Wright
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