

MINUTES – MORRO BAY RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING – **September 20, 2018**

VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING – 6 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Robert Swain, Vice Chair Drew Sidaris, Commissioner Kevin Carroll, Commissioner Skip Sorich, Commissioner Mike Espino, Recreation Service Manager Kirk Carmichael, Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny, Youth Services Angelica Gallardo and Office Assistant Sheri Charette

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Robert Swain called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Commissioner Skip Sorich announced that the pickleball club is having a 3:30 p.m. meeting tomorrow about establishing a manager for the club and said that the free pickleball clinic last Friday had a big turnout.

Vice Chair Drew Sidaris suggested that the public visit the City's website (www.morrobayca.gov) which shows upcoming community recreation classes, events and activities. Sidaris announced on September 29th the grand opening of the Maritime Museum on the Embarcadero, October 6th is the Morro Bay Harbor Festival, October 31st is the fifth annual Trick-or-Treat, in November the Morro Bay Triathlon and December 1st the Lighted Boat Parade.

Commissioner Mike Espino suggested a reading of this month's Parks and Recreation magazine that discusses the popularity of Pickleball.

Chair Robert Swain announced that this Saturday is the Morro Bay Open Space Alliance Cerritos Peak event, then commented that the Annual Parks Tour with Public Works Advisory Board was interesting and that he appreciated Public Works Director Rob Livick explaining how a water reclamation facility works and showed the location of where the City may build it. Swain commented that he was glad to see that the Jack LaLanne Circuit Training Stations project is moving forward and said he had a few people approach him regarding the pool and that the temperature is too cold in the morning. He also let staff know that there is a big hole in a well located at Coleman Park that needs to be covered up before someone gets hurt.

Recreation Services Manager Kirk Carmichael clarified that there are six Morro Bay Recreation and Parks Commission meetings per year that are held every odd month on the third Thursday of the month. Responding to a question about the pool, Carmichael explained that the pool temperature is set for competitive swimming which is between 78 – 82 degrees and will not change. Carmichael also reminded Commissioner Skip Sorich that he was appointed to be the liaison to the Morro Bay Senior Citizens, Inc. and if he had anything regarding the MB Seniors to report that he could during the announcement period time. Carmichael announced that the Community Foundation of Estero Bay (CFEB) has awarded the City of Morro Bay Recreation Services for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 17/18 scholarship funds in the amount of \$7,279 which covered a portion of the fees for participants of Kids' Cub, Junior Lifeguards, swim lessons and our soccer program and that for the entire fiscal year of 17/18 the CFEB have given a total of \$24,759. Then Carmichael announced that he met with Ann Reisner regarding the Jack LaLanne project and Reisner suggested to Carmichael that he should meet with Chair Robert Swain to come up with a plan that can be presented to her. Carmichael also announced that the bocce ball and greenhouse project is on the city's capital improvement program as a project and has moved to a civil engineering company who is designing the grading plans.

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo announced 2018/19 Kids' Club has begun, roster is full but always accepting new families. This year we have 13 staff with 8 of the 13 having attended Kids' Club as a child and stated that this is a true testament to a successful program and that the goal in Youth Services is to help develop these children into successful community members. She then announced that Kids' Club had offered child care to families during Del Mar Elementary School's Back to School Night. Also, the Teen Center has seen a large increase in participation since the school year has begun and we had 20 teens sign up to participate in our Teen Action Club (TAC). TAC has partnered with Morro Bay in Bloom to volunteer once a month and one of the projects will be to work together on the landscape at the Rockies Teen Center. Gallardo also announced that we are gearing up for the annual Morro Bay Trick-or-Treat Event in Downtown Morro Bay with Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce, Jon Elliot from Mikes Barbershop and several community members to provide a fun and safe Halloween Event which will include trick-or-treat at local businesses, a bounce-house, face painting and other fun activities. Plus, our TAC will be volunteering, and our Kids' Club is providing a field trip to this event.

Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny announced the Fall schedule of the Morro Bay Aquatic Center. Fall schedule for lap swimming is Monday – Friday 5:30 – 8 a.m. and 11 – 1 p.m. as well as Sundays from 1- 4 p.m., aqua aerobics is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 – 8 a.m., and masters swimming is Tuesday and Thursday from 5:45 – 6:45 a.m. and to check the City of Morro Bay website for updates and cancellations. Sweeny also announced that registration for Estero Bay Basketball begins Monday September 24th with an early registration discount if registered prior to October 12th plus we are partnering with the LA Clippers as they will be providing a free player's skill clinic in December. She then announced Saturday, October 6th is the 10th Annual Jesse King Memorial Paddle and explained that Jesse King was a Morro Bay Beach Lifeguard and former Coast Guard who passed away while free diving. The event benefits the Friends of the Morro Bay Harbor Department and the Morro Bay Junior Lifeguard Program and said that last year the Junior Lifeguard Program received \$1,600 which was used to purchase

equipment. The event is a 3K and 10K course with check-in time at 7:30 a.m. and the races start at 8:30 a.m. For more information contact www.thepaddleboardcompany.com/events or (805)225-5555.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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NONE

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=889>

A-1 Approval of minutes for Recreation & Parks Commission meeting held on May 17, 2018

RECOMMENDATION: Approve minutes.

A-2 Approval of Minutes from Public Works Advisory Board and Recreation and Parks Commission meeting Special Joint Meeting, July 18, 2018

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

A-3 Recreation Services Division Status Report

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

A-4 Recreation Services Division Participation Reports

Facilities, Parks and Open Space Hourly Use

Recreation Classes and Affiliates Clubs

Aquatic Programs

Sports

Seniors

Youth Services

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

MOTION: Vice Chair Drew Sidaris moved to approve the Consent Calendar Items A-1 through A-4. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Skip Sorich and passed unanimously, 5-0.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

No public hearings.

C. BUSINESS

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=931>

C-1 Program Evaluation – 2018 Labor Day Classic

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=938>

Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny presented the 2018 Labor Day Staff Report. Vice Chair Drew Sidaris commented that maintenance is doing a great job and he really appreciates all their hard work. Commissioner Skip Sorich asked if staff investigated what the cause of the attendance dropping? Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny replied in the last few years that other softball organizations been offering tournaments on the same weekend and when we started there were no other tournaments being offered and the other issue is teams are having a tough time being able to find affordable lodging. Then Sorich suggested to look into some kind of sponsorship. He also mentioned having a home run derby. Sweeny responded that we've had them in the past, but we got to the point where people would be checking who was signed up and when they saw who signed up they would withdraw but we are possibly looking at adding a cornhole tournament or a co-ed division to the tournament. Chair Robert Swain suggested approaching the hotels to see if they would give a team discount and the hotels that participate should be advertised.

C-2 Program Evaluation – 2018 Brian Waterbury Memorial Rock to Pier Runs & Rock'n Around the Pier Half Marathon.

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=1346>

Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny presented the 2018 Brian Waterbury Memorial Rock to Pier Run & Rock'n Around the Pier Half Marathon. Staff Report.

C-3 Program Evaluation – 2018 Youth Futsal

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=1634>

Sports Supervisor Karen Sweeny presented the 2018 Youth Futsal Staff Report.

C-4 Program Evaluation – 2018 Mermaid, Sea Creature, and Pirate Parade

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=1757>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented 2018 Mermaid, Sea Creature, and Pirate Parade staff report.

C-5 Program Evaluation – Rockies Teen Center and Teen Action Committee

<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=1821>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented the Rockies Teen Center and TAC staff report. Commissioner Kevin Carroll commented that he was impressed with the staff report. Chair Robert Swain stated even though it costs the City about \$40,000 a year and if we keep just one kid off the streets, off drugs or going to jail, then that is a well spent \$40,000 and he is in favor of keeping this program. Gallardo responded saying that we are increasing the size of our TAC volunteer group. Part of the program is to help them work on their job skills as well as helping with their college resume writing. Walter Heath from Morro Bay in Bloom is assisting with the college resume writing.

- C-6 Program Evaluation – Monster Skate Series (Morro Bay Contest)
<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=1994>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented the Monster Skate Series (Morro Bay Contest) staff report.

- C-7 Program Evaluation – Kids’ Camp 2018
<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=2032>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented the Kids’ Camp 2018 staff report.

- C-8 Program Evaluation – Kids’ Club 2017/18
<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=2101>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented the Kids’ Club 2017/18 staff report.

- C-9 Program Evaluation – Fourth of July Family Day 2018
<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=2182>

Youth Services Coordinator Angelica Gallardo presented the Fourth of July Family Day 2018 staff report.

MOTION: Vice Chair Drew Sidaris moved to receive and file Business Items C-1 through C-9. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kevin Carroll and passed unanimously, 5-0.

- C-10 Program Evaluation – New Event Proposal – Open Streets
<https://youtu.be/Wnr-JGIGUEA?t=2355>

Recreation Service Manager Kirk Carmichael presented the New Event Proposal – Open Streets staff report. Commissioner Mike Espino commented that it’s a great idea and an opportunity to bring the community together. Commissioner Kevin Carroll agreed with Espino. Vice Chair Drew Sidaris suggested to start with expanding the Saturday farmers market once a month during the summer and to add an entertainment stage and see if the community would participate. Commissioner Skip Sorich asked if we looked into how other cities are doing this type of event. Carmichael replied yes but nothing too in-depth and said at this time it is a conversation in general for the Commission to discuss and to determine if the event is viable. With that discussion, we would move forward to present to the City Manager. Chair Robert Swain commented that he would like to pursue this event. Carmichael responded that his concerns from staff perspective is that this would be a non-revenue generating event and it may be difficult for us during these rough financial times within the city to fund this type of event. Swain suggested that it needs to emphasize more than just bike riding like including walking with strollers or just walking and to end at a park with food trucks and entertainment.

MOTION: Commissioner Skip Sorich made a motion to further research Business Item C-10. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Drew Sidaris and passed unanimously, 5-0.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/GpylxZBRW7M?t=1331>

NONE

E. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:52p.m. to the next regularly scheduled Recreation and Parks Commission meeting at 6 p.m. on **Thursday, November 15, 2018**, at the Veterans Memorial Building, 209 Surf Street, Morro Bay, California.

Recorded by:



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