



Parks & Recreation Commission
MINUTES
Thursday, October 25, 2018, 6:00 pm
Kennewick City Hall Council Chambers



1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ken Hahn called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Linda Britain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Parks and Recreation Commissioners, City Council Liaison, and Staff Present:

Commissioner Ken Hahn	Emily Estes-Cross, Parks, Recreation and Economic Dev. Director
Commissioner Dean Aeling	Greg Duffy, Deputy Director Parks, Recreation and Facilities
Commissioner Jack Anderson	Linda Spier, Recorder
Commissioner Ty Fischer	
Commissioner Linda Britain	
Commissioner Van Slycke	

Excused: Commissioner Greg Falk and City Council Liaison Bill McKay

2. HONORS & RECOGNITION – None

WELCOME

Chairman Ken Hahn greeted and welcomed new Commissioner Van Slycke to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Staff and current Commissioners introduced themselves to new Commissioner Van Slycke.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Fischer moved, seconded by Commissioner Britain to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Aeling moved, seconded by Commissioner Fischer, to approve the minutes of July 26, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

Since the August 2018 meeting was canceled and the September meeting was a Joint Commission Meeting hosted by the City of Richland, the July 26, 2018 meeting minutes had not previously been approved.

5. VISITORS

Mel Lacey, 366-4910, mellacey@charter.net. Mr. Lacey discussed challenges and opportunities of the Zintel Canyon natural area, and presented a PowerPoint and proposal to convert the Zintel Canyon trail into a City Park. The Zintel Canyon Trail (also known as the Spirit of America Trail, the Freedom Trail and the Zintel Canyon Greenway) is 1.25 miles long and runs through the City of Kennewick from near the Waste Management facility at 27th Ave. and S. Ely St to 7th Ave. and S. Vancouver St.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Zintel Canyon Trail – Emily gave a brief overview on the Zintel Canyon public meeting on October 24, which outlined the plan for improving safety in the Zintel Canyon area and collected public input. Challenges in Zintel Canyon include property that is owned by other agencies, homeowners, KID, and Benton PUD.
- b. Commission Youth Membership - Commissioner Fischer proposed a local youth to be represented on the Commission. The Commission discussed the concept and tabled action until further information was provided. Commissioners Fischer and Anderson will look into further.
- c. Park Mitigation Spending – Staff reported on the Park Mitigation Fee Balances in respective boundaries. Commissioners Hahn and Van Slycke will discuss methods for prioritizing needs and report back to the Commission.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Community Center Transition update – Emily reported that Community Center was awarded a \$100,000 Community Development Block Grant for 2019 entrance enhancements. Additionally, new equipment and furnishings purchases to accommodate the Wheels & Squeals and 1st Thursday programs have been ongoing.
- b. Playground of Dreams – Greg reported Phase 1 installation is 95% complete. Staff applied for a manufacturer's grant requiring 50% match on some Phase 2 equipment.

8. POLL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS AND STAFF

- Commissioner Hahn reported on Hansen Park Improvement Celebration at the west picnic shelter at Hansen Park, and recognized our partners.
- Greg reported Columbia Park Golf Clubhouse framing done. Goal is to get exterior complete ahead of schedule.
- Commissioner Hahn – Set Retreat dates. Linda will provide dates and poll Commissioners for December dates.

Notable events

- Senior Expo at Southridge – October 16
- Harvest Bazaar – October 20
- Columbia Basin Veterans Appreciation Fair & Stand Down Friday, November 2, 2018, 0900-1500 Southridge Sports Complex
- Holiday Parade – December 1

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm

Linda Spier, Recorder