

**SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
March 27, 2018**

Present:

Doug Hulse, Chair
Ann Shaw, Vice-Chair
John Croslin
Trevor Gottschalk
Diane Pothast

Absent:

Edna Ahrens

Also Present:

Richard Faust, Community Services General Manager
Hezekiah Allen, Recreation Services Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Hulse called the meeting to order at 5:08 pm at the Cottonwood Recreation Center Conference Room.

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 27, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Hulse asked for consideration of the February 27, 2018 minutes. Commissioner Shaw motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Croslin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

(This portion of the agenda is set aside for the public to address the Commission regarding an item that is not listed on the agenda for discussion. However, the Commission cannot engage in discussion regarding any item that is not officially listed on the agenda for discussion and/or action (A.R.S. 38-431.02(H).) Comments are limited to a 5 minute time period.)

Terri Clements talked about a less expensive, temporary opportunity to fix tennis center court one and the other courts.

OLD BUSINESS

A. MONTHLY REPORT INFORMATION FOR FEBRUARY 2018

Mr. Faust reviewed the figures and how they compared to last year. They are still about \$18,000 shy of where they were this time last year. He asked if there were any questions. There were none.

B. RECREATION CENTER MONTHLY UTILITY USE AND ANALYSIS (THROUGH FEBRUARY)

Mr. Faust asked if there were any questions on the utility usages. He mentioned that electricity was lower due to the mild winter. Gas was just slightly up and water and sewer were up.

C. COTTONWOOD CIVIC CENTER – HISTORICAL RENOVATION PROJECT – CONTRACTOR ACTIVITY REPORT

Mr. Faust reviewed the progress of the Cottonwood Civic Center historical renovation project. He stated they have been working closely with NACOG and the contractor, Kinney Construction Services (KCS). They should be closing everything out in the next couple of days. Along with KCS, they currently have the flooring contractor working now. The oak floor should be finished by next week. He said they would go through the facility at next month's meeting. He asked if there were any questions. There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

A. NRPA – ECONOMIC IMPACT OF LOCAL PARKS (NATIONAL STUDY)

Mr. Faust explained that the National Recreation and Parks Association is a lobbyist group but also a very big group of people consisting of local, county, state and federal agencies. This is the most recent study from early 2018. It reviews spending by parks and recreation agencies on their local economy. It monetizes the benefits of programs and events, similar to what the city tries to do with Thunder Valley Rally. He reviewed some of the statistics for Arizona stating that Arizona is high because of the nice yearlong weather. After noting some of the conclusions and other parts of the study, Mr. Faust asked if there were any questions. There were none.

B. UPCOMING PARKS AND RECREATION SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Mr. Faust listed the current and upcoming events and programs including Looking Good Cottonwood, co-ed volleyball, 28th Annual Easter Egg Hunt, the Brian Mickelsen Memorial run/walk and the Old Town Music and the Market. The market is running May, June and September only due to the monsoon.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Croslin motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Pothast seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm.