

**SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
January 28, 2014**

Present:

Absent:

Doug Hulse
Bill Bowden
Cindy Burton
Al Hilberger
Carol Nielsen
Bob Richards
Ann Shaw

Also Present:

Richard Faust, Community Services General Manager
Ryan Bigelow, Recreation Program Supervisor
Hezekiah Allen, Aquatics/Special Event Supervisor
Robin Babbitt, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Hulse called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm at the Cottonwood Recreation Center Conference Room.

MINUTES – NOVEMBER 12, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Hulse asked for consideration of the minutes from the November 12 regular meeting. Commissioner Bowden motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Burton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Felicia Coates introduced herself. She and her husband are fairly new to the area, are outdoors oriented and are looking for volunteering opportunities.

OLD BUSINESS

A. MONTHLY REPORT INFORMATION FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2013

Mr. Faust and the commission reviewed the monthly reports from November and December.

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

Mr. Faust and the commissioners discussed the monthly utility information through December.

NEW BUSINESS

A. COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS – COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION CAROL NIELSEN & AL HILBERGER

Commissioner Hulse congratulated Commissioners Hilberger and Nielsen on their reappointments to the board for another three years.

B. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO THE COTTONWOOD RECREATION CENTER FROM ARC

Mr. Faust stated that Y.E.S. the ARC presented a plaque to the recreation center as appreciation for assistance with allowing their disabled clients to enjoy the benefits of the facility. Commissioner Shaw read the plaque, which stated “Y.E.S. The ARC presents to the COTTONWOOD RECREATION CENTER in appreciation of continued support of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. December 14, 2014.”

C. COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION - RHYTHM & RIBS FESTIVAL AGREEMENT - “THAT EVENT COMPANY”

Mr. Faust stated that Council has authorized the agreement with THAT Event Company to be the promotions company for Rhythm & Ribs again this year. He reviewed some of the company’s qualifications and plans for the 2014 date. He added that having nine months instead of 100 days of planning type should tremendously benefit the program. The group discussed this along with other relevant issues regarding the Rhythm & Ribs event.

D. DISCUSSION ITEM – BICYCLE COMMITTEE

Mr. Faust stated that the city’s bicycle committee is now under Parks and Recreation instead of Community Development. He discussed some of their plans including trying to upgrade the city’s bicycle friendly designation from bronze to silver.

E. COTTONWOOD TENNIS CENTER – CRACK REPAIRS

Mr. Faust stated that the pictures in the packet were from the last time the tennis center cracks were repaired. The cracks have reopened and need to be refilled for safety sake. After discussing the plan to resurface the courts in a couple of years, he stated that the patch work should be started by the beginning of March.

F. RIVERFRONT PARK BALLFIELD NETTING REPLACEMENT

Mr. Faust explained that the protective net between the outfield of softball field 2 and the main play/ramada area of Riverfront Park had disintegrated over the course of twenty years. The netting has been replaced and is expected to last another twenty years.

G. UPCOMING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS/SPECIAL EVENTS

Mr. Faust listed the upcoming and current programs, which include Lookin' Good Cottonwood, Kiwanis Kick-Off Classic tournament, Brian Mickelsen Memorial Run, Easter Egg Hunt and Bike MS in May. He also showed the commissioners how to access the newest edition of the Leisure Times now available online. This version contains hyperlinks to event and program sites making it easy for the public to get information.

H. UPCOMING MEETINGS – NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 18

Mr. Faust checked his calendar and said this was a mistake. The next regular meeting will be held February 25, which is the fourth Tuesday of the month.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Shaw motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bowden seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.