

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

March 24, 2009

Present:

Doug Hulse, Chairperson  
Bill Bowden  
Dennis Burke  
Carol Nielsen  
Nathaniel Munn, Jr.  
Ann Shaw

Absent:

Ron Hollis

Also Present:

Richard Faust, Director, Park and Recreation  
Robin R. Babbitt, Administrative Coordinator  
George Gehlert, Community Development Director

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Hulse called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm at the Cottonwood Council Chambers.

MINUTES – JANUARY 27, 2009 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Hulse asked for consideration of the minutes from the January 27, 2009 regular meeting. Commissioner Bowden motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Nielsen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. MONTHLY REPORT INFORMATION FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2009

Mr. Faust asked if there were any questions on the monthly reports for January and February. There were no questions. The director reviewed some of the upcoming special events including the Brian Mickelsen Memorial Half-Marathon, 10K, 2 Mile Run/Walk. He also explained how they were looking for sponsors for some of the programs that have been cut due to the department's reduced budget.

B. COTTONWOOD COMMUNITY RECREATION/AQUATICS CENTER – CURRENT ISSUES & UPDATES

Mr. Faust updated the commission on the status of the community recreation center. He noted that construction is ahead of schedule and Paula Street is already open. He also reviewed the latest information they had on the remodeling of the existing pool.

C. HERRIDGE FIELD RELOCATION PROJECT – REVIEW AND UPDATES

Mr. Faust updated the commission on the status of the Herridge Field relocation project at Riverfront Park. Particular items discussed included hiring YES the ARC to remove rocks from the field to prep it for sod, the need for red stabilizer material for the infield and the sod for the outfield.

D. ELM/VIEJO PARK – UPDATES

Mr. Faust updated the commission on the Elm/Viejo Park project.

E. RIVERFRONT COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT – UPDATE

Mr. Faust updated the commission on the Riverfront community garden project. He stated that he Memorandum of Understanding is going to Council on April 7. They also discussed Public Works putting a road between the ditch and dog park for easy access.

NEW BUSINESS

A. DRAFT BICYCLE PLAN – PROGRAMS (PRESENTATION BY GEORGE GEHLERT)

George Gehlert presented the city's draft bicycle plan to the commission. The plan consists of adding bike lanes to arterial and collector streets to make Cottonwood more accessible by bicycle. It also includes creating recreational bike trails.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Munn motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Nielsen seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.