LOMPOC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

Regular Meeting March 12, 2019

City Hall Council Chambers 100 Civic Center Plaza

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Dave Baker

Steve Bridge Charles Sommer Jennie Walker

Staff Present: Mario Guerrero, Jr., Recreation Manager

Dirk Ishiwata, Facilities, Fleet & Park Maintenance

Manager

Michael Luther, Public Works Director Shandee Vega, Office Staff Assistant II

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

1. Explore Lompoc - Applying for grants for special events – by Explore Lompoc Board Member

Dirk Ishiwata informed Commission that Explore Lompoc was unable to attend the meeting but will be attending next month.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 1. Approval of Minutes for February 12, 2019 Regular Meeting
- 2. Accept Recreation Monthly Activity Report
- 3. Accept Park Monthly Activity Report

MOTION: Commissioner Walker made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, with a second by Commissioner Bridge. The motion passed with unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Commissioner Bridge's request to begin a study on cost saving measures for potential savings in the Parks Division – Update by Dirk Ishiwata, Facilities, Fleet & Parks Maintenance Manager

After some discussion and different motions that were made and withdrawn, the Commission finalized their decision on how to move forward with the Study on Lompoc Parks Approach to Park Utilization and Resource Allocation.

MOTION: Commissioner Bridge made a motion to recommend that the Ad-Hoc Committee's Study on Lompoc Parks Approach to Park Utilization and Resource Allocation be reviewed and presented to City Council at the earliest future meeting as well as at a budget workshop, with a second by Commissioner Sommer.

2. Ad-Hoc Meeting update on the creation of a Parks and Recreation Non-Profit Foundation- Update by Mario Guerrero Jr., Recreation Manager

Mario Guerrero, Jr. informed Commission he hasn't received an update from the Attorney's office and is hoping to provide a better update next meeting.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Dirk Ishiwata reported he is working on budgets and reported graffiti is happening almost daily at Thompson Park. He went on to say River Bend Park entrance was graded before the rain but pot holes need to be redone. He added he had six complaints and is hoping to have the complaint software finalized by next meeting.
- 2. Mario Guerrero, Jr. reported Form-700 was getting mailed out and is due April 1st and that all spring youth sports have begun and a dedication of a field was made during an opening ceremony. He explained the process of getting a field named after an individual and stated the organization is in the process of gathering all items to bring to Commission to follow correct protocol, with the request being on the next meeting's agenda. Mario provided an overview of Prop-68 and stated Centennial, Ryon, Pioneer and JM Parks are all eligible parks; the grant is due August 5, 2019, awarded by December 2019/January 2020 and all improvements would need to be completed by 2022. He added some of the requirements needed are to hold five public meetings near or at the site to be eligible to apply for the Prop-68 grant. Commissioner Walker asked who is able to apply and where can materials be found. Mario stated he will send the information and website to all Commissioners. Commissioner Sommer inquired about when hearings will be and Mario replied as soon as possible being that all five meetings for each park need to be completed by August 5th. Commissioner Bridge asked if the meetings can be joint meetings or it needs to be five meetings per park. Mario replied it is five meetings per park and two of those need to be on site. He added he is hoping to

have a public hearing before the next Commission meeting and on the April 2nd Council Meeting. Mario concluded Spring Fest is April 19th-21st at Ryon Park, the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 20th at River Park, Dr's T's Strike Out Cancer Softball Tournament will be held April 28th at Thompson and Ryon Fields and the Kiwanis Track Meet will also be April 28th at Lompoc Huyck Stadium. He reported the March Renaissance Faire has been postponed until September and the April Heritage Americana Music Festival has also been postponed until further notice.

COMMISSION REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS

- 1. Commissioner Walker announced the Mayor of Lompoc declared the week of April 7th-13th for Lompoc Cares Week.
- 2. Commissioner Sommer informed Staff of a complaint he received about renting a field and asked if there was a public master calendar for availability. Mario replied youth sports have precedence 3:30pm-7:00pm and Thompson and Ryon Parks are the only reservable fields with lights, with soccer not permitted at Thompson Park.
- 3. Commissioner Baker inquired about where the policy for park dedications was located. Mario replied he will send the policy to Commission. Commissioner Baker reiterated about receiving invitations to public events such as Little League and Lompoc Girls Softball Association Opening Day Ceremonies.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:59 P.M. Commissioner Bridge moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Commission to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Lompoc City Council Chambers, at 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Sommer.

Respectfully Submitted,	
Dave Baker, Vice Chair	Mario Guerrero Jr., Secretary