

**LOMPOC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 12, 2023
City Hall Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Plaza**

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Dave Baker
Dianne Burns
Stephanie Saucedo

Commissioners Absent: Ila Thatcher-Geis
Ondray Simmons

Staff Present: Mario Guerrero, Jr., Parks and Recreation Manager
Jim Mindoro, Parks and Recreation Projects Coordinator
Shandee Vega, OSA III

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Update on Parks Projects – Oral Report by Jim Mindoro, Parks and Recreation Project Coordinator

Jim Mindoro provided a PowerPoint presentation on new and upcoming renovations occurring at city parks which included:

- Lompoc Aquatic Center – ceiling panel and motor replacement, dehumidification system improvement
- College Park – proposal bid scheduled for December 2023 and the estimated start of construction is slated for March 2024
- Ryon Park – replacement of playground and ADA fitness center, refresh four tennis courts and replacing the others with a pickleball court. Tennis court lights installed
- River Park – refurbishing old RV camp sites, new restroom and shower
- Pioneer Park – new playground, adding fitness area, and renovating the baseball field
- Anderson Recreation Center – installation of HVAC
- JM Park – replacement of restroom/concession stand facility
- Library – all new landscaping, upgrade outdoor patio area and redo parking lot (three phases)

Commissioner Baker asked when the Ryon Park playground will be completed and asked who is building the pickleball courts. Jim replied the playground should be completed by

early November. Courts and Greens out of Bakersfield is the company working on the pickleball courts and the plan is to have a grand opening for the park if both the tennis and pickleball courts and playground are completed at the same time. Commissioner Baker asked if the score booth, tower and bleachers will be torn down at Pioneer Park. Jim replied the main focus is the field unless additional funding is available they will revisit. Mario said they will be looking into seeing if CDBG funding will be available for an additional phase approach. Commissioner Baker inquired if Babe Ruth has been approached to volunteer with the renovations similar to the Thompson Park project. Mario replied yes, it is in the works and hoping it will all work out.

2. Update on priority list from the Parks and Recreation Commission for CIP Projects - Mario Guerrero Jr., Parks and Recreation Manager

Mario Guerrero provided a PowerPoint update on the priority list from the Parks and Recreation Commission for CIP Projects to include the Recreation Master Plan – Conceptual Plan projects that were and were not able to be completed which are the following:

- Beattie Park – Not completed
- Ryon Park – Not completed
- Riverbend Park Phase 3 – Completed
- JM Park – Completed
- College Park – Completed
- Centennial Park – Completed
- Ken Adam Park – Not Completed
- Riverbend Park – Not Completed
- River Park Campgrounds - Not Completed
- Barton Park - Not Completed
- Westvale Park - Not Completed
- Anderson Recreation Center - Not Completed

CONSENT CALENDAR:

3. Approval of Minutes for July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting
4. Accept Recreation Monthly Activity Reports
5. Accept Park Monthly Activity Reports

Public Comment

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Comment

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Public Comment

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

6. Parks and Recreation Division monthly update - Mario Guerrero Jr., Parks and Recreation Manager

Mario Guerrero, Jr. reported on the following:

- Lompoc AYSO and Lompoc Youth Football League (LYFL) seasons have begun
- During the pool closure the under water lights were replaced, facility was power washed and touch ups/cleaning were performed
- In the process of purchasing new pool covers and hoping the roof panels and dehumidification systems are completed in February
- Play structure bucket needs to be fixed but the pool needs to be drained before doing so. Hoping to have that completed by the summer
- We have 120+ children registered for Youth Basketball which opened up September 5th. This year, player is free if a parent or guardian coaches and the CDBG Grant was offered again
- Three full time Aquatics Specialists positions available with a flexible 40 hour work week within seven days
- Beattie Park – repaving two parking lots up top, replacing 25 poles due to manufacture defect, hoping to have completed by October
- Civic Auditorium – pipe burst which was the main fire suppression system sprinklers and will be closed until repaired
- October 22nd Dunkin’ for Pumpkins event held at the Aquatic Center
- October 28th Make a Difference Day

Commissioner Baker asked if the squirrel abatement machine worked. Mario replied yes. Dave also asked if the Civic Auditorium regulars are affected by the pipe burst. Mario replied yes, all Recreation programs will be moved to the Anderson Recreation Center and all of Lompoc Valley Middle School classes will be moved.

Public Comment

COMMISSION REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Commissioner Baker informed Commission about the City of Lompoc Non-profit Committee which is made up of a Council Member and Chair from each Commission and stated they are still in the planning phases. He requested Commission keep in mind that this non-profit is a good way to help the City obtain funding that is not available to

City/Government groups. He also requested the Events Calendar. Mario replied it will be emailed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:13 P.M. Commissioner Baker adjourned the Parks and Recreation Commission to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in the Lompoc City Council Chambers, at 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Baker, Chair

Mario Guerrero Jr., Secretary