

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 4, 2022 - 10:00 AM

MINUTES

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kniffen called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

Present – Commissioners Atencio, Johannson, Bahringer, and Lord, who arrived shortly thereafter.

C. CHAIR REPORT

Chairman Kniffen had nothing to say.

D. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS (none)

2. EX - OFFICIO REPORTS

A. Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Report

Director Kitty Connolly reported as follows:

- 1) Many programs going this time of year
- 2) Trail works of all kinds
- 3) Deploying counting methods to quantify the number of people using the ranch. A FFRP first time data collection.
- 4) Ice plant removal

B. Skate Cambria

Juli Amodei reported via email

- 1) \$532k in the bank
- 2) Beginning 4th quarter fundraising program
- 3) Looking forward to Mr. Dienzo's report in November
- 4) The feel is good and heading in the right direction

3. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jessica Scarffe: Asks for verifiable data on the decision to leash dogs of the FRP from the CCSD. Received none and then asked why a decision would be made without verifiable evidence and why so quickly without a proper public airing. Both Bahringer and Kniffen asked to make the topic an agenda item for the November meeting.

4. FACILITIES AND RESOURCES MANAGER

Facilities and Resources Manager, Carlos Mendoza, reported on the following:

- A. Vet's hall fumigated Oct. 22-27th
- B. Ice Plant Removal on Fiscalini Ranch, 6 yards plus.
- C. Pocket Park clean up, lots of stuff. This encampment clean up is close to 150 that Carlos and his team have had to deal with in just the last 3 years.
- D. Free sand at the East Ranch parking lot to prepare for winter storms. The sand is free, but you'll need to bring your own bags.

5. CONSENT AGENDA (Estimated time: 15 Minutes)

- A. Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on September 6, 2022.

Commissioner Johannason moved to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on September 6, 2022.

Commissioner Atencio seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Consideration of Major Projects for the Current Community Park Plan

Commissioner Johannson moved to recommend to the CCSD Board the Phase #3 list as compiled by Carlos Mendoza for the projects needed to be completed to finish the development of East Ranch.

Commissioner Bahringer seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The attempt here is to make these projects shovel ready and worthy of future grant requests once the bathroom is completed. Be understood there is not funding for these projects in the current CCSD budgets.

It was suggested that a consultant be hired to conceptualize these major projects' design and cost options, so that when grant monies become available, we already know where we are going and what we want.

This is not the current list of viable projects such as picnic tables, benches, trash receptacles and trail enhancement. These projects will begin as soon as the bathrooms are complete.

B. Discussion and Consideration of the 2294 Center Street Property and Multipurpose Trails in Cambria

Commissioner Johansson moved to recommend to the CCSD that the community retain an easement for access across the property before consummating the change of ownership.

Commissioner Bahringer seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission DOES NOT want to hold up this long overdue transaction but wants to be on the record as acknowledging that this area and piece of property is instrumental in moving people and bikes in the future over Santa Rosa Creek to the Tin City area and up Burton. We trust in the integrity of the Historical Society to do what is healthy for the Center Street Historical core.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Commissioner Kniffen asked for any future agenda items. The following were suggested:

- A. Discussion of FFRP and CCSD leash ordinance
- B. Discuss hiring a consultant for major East Ranch projects, costs and design.

8. ADJOURN

Chair Commissioner Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m.