

**Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission
(PROS)**

Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 5, 2019 – 10:00 AM
VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING
1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428

A. CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Commissioner Kniffen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM

PROS Commissioners

- Present – Commissioners Johansson, Atencio, Kniffen, Cooper, Bahringer and Lord.
- A quorum was established.

C. CHAIR REPORT

- Steve asked how to change rules for Fiscalini Ranch Management. Do we have to live with the current management direction forever?
- Reply from Carlos Mendoza of CCSD Parks/Facilities: The Fiscalini Ranch is governed by 3 documents – it depends on what you what changed.
 1. Conservation Mgt. – Coastal Commission has control – and it is not designed to be changed easily or at all.
 2. Ranch Mgt. Plan – Public input is required to change as it was developed in the public focus.
 3. Environmental impact statement – Written in the context of the previous 2 plans. Any changes in the 2 plans require examination of effects and determination of changes in the EA – if there are effects the document would have to be rewritten accordingly.

2. EX - OFFICIO REPORTS

- Carlos Mendoza presented the Status of the Skate Park. Currently it is fenced off since July. The small ramps were dangerous and removed. The large ramp is being taken apart to repair. Carlos stated that he had solicited help for repairs from the community with no interest. There were no complaints on the closure.
- A citizen from the Cambria Community, Robert Kelly, has sent a letter with suggestions and a concept of generation of private funds to repair the facility.
- Carlos has about \$18,000 left in the current FY budget to repair the facility.
- Comm Cooper volunteered to sense schools about interest and possible use about skating activities.
- Carlos' current plan is to continue to repair and fix as existing this year; next year add an improvement according to suggestions supplied by Robert Kelly, depending on funding. He is hoping the construction will be complete to reopen by June.

- Carlos did feel there may be some money available through a grant which has previously been obtained. Project must be shovel ready and have matching funds available in some form.
- Com. Johansson volunteered to check if there was any representative that built/sold skate park feature manufacturing companies to assist in the design of a better skate park.
- Com. Bahringer **proposed a Motion:** Continue to build features for the remainder of 2019 and first half of 2020 FYs. Remove large ramp, build concrete piece and rail suggested in the attached sketch by Robert Kelly. After that, only maintain to assure safety. If there is no interest by the community, and if the park develops problems consider removal if/when appropriate. This would change if there is interest in the community sufficient to raise money to repair, build new and maintain the features. This motion will be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting.
- Generally, the Commission's frustration with the skate park planning consideration is the lack of information on who, what age, residence location, and how many are using the park currently. And who further would use it if improved. Until the park constituency is established no further improvement would be prudent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public Comment from Laurel Stewart (School house relocation Manager for the Historical Society) about the status of the Santa Rosa School house location. The school is sitting off near the final site awaiting utility work at the site plus foundation being built. Then the building will be moved and dropped into place. Time table dependent upon speed of contractors finishing and working between projects.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting was not done.
- Discussion Regarding Developing a Plan for Phase 2 of the Development of the East Ranch.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Meet at CCSD Park office next meeting to review toilet plans, make color and material choice and select site of toilet. It would be good to have the design engineer at that meeting.
- Vote on tabled motion by Com. Bahringer concerning Skate Park future construction and containment of expenditures.

6. ADJOURN

Chairman Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Submitted by Kermit Johansson.