

**MINUTES
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION-CITY OF ARTESIA**

**City of Artesia Council Chambers
18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701**

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

6:31 P.M.

The Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:31 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, 2009 by Chairperson Sagert.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL -

PRESENT: Chairperson Sagert
Vice Chairperson Lourenco
Commissioner Orozco
Commissioner Verduzco
Commissioner Ho

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Clayt Iske, Director
Jose Martinez, Event Coordinator (arrived at 6:55p.m)
LisaMarie Negrete, Receptionist/Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Chairperson Sagert.

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SPEAKER CARDS

Chairperson Sagert announced that anyone wishing to speak to the Parks & Recreation Commission should fill out a speaker card and give it to the recording staff person prior to commencement of the meeting. Please observe the allotted time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER VERDUZCO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOURENCO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2008.

Said motion carries by the following roll call vote for the November 19, 2008 meeting minutes:

AYES: COMMISSIONER(S): Sagert, Lourenco, Orozco, Verduzco, Ho
NOES: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSTAINED: COMMISSIONER(S): None

1. 50th ANNIVERSARY 5K RUN EVENT

Parks and Recreation Director Iske informed the Commission that he was pleased with the turn out of the 1st annual 5K Run Event that took place on January 10, 2009. There were 91 entries and 50-60 volunteers. Following the event there was an awards ceremony; Miss Artesia posed for pictures with all of the winners.

Director Iske stated he received positive feed back, therefore, there has already been a date set for next year and will take place on Saturday January 09, 2010. Sponsors included Red Robin Restaurant and American Cancer Society.

Director Iske thanked the Commission for their assistance at the event.

2. 50th ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE DINNER RECOGNIZING ARTESIA'S MAYOR

Director Iske spoke about the 2nd event for the 50th Anniversary. The Jubilee dinner, honoring our past and present Mayor's and City Council Members. The event will be a sit down dinner held in the Community Center at Artesia Park taking place on Friday January 27, 2009 at 6:00p.m.

The Sub committee (a committee that has been formed by the City Council) has done a great job gathering City memorabilia to present at the Jubilee dinner. There will be a silent auction and a showing of a video. All Commissioners are invited to attend.

No further comments were made.

Motion to receive and file.

3. 50th ANNIVERSARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Director Iske gave the Commission an update regarding the status on the Golf Tournament. The Golf Tournament will held on Friday March 20, 2009 at the Lakewood Country Club.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe will be the events honoree; he will participate in the tournament and will likely serve as the MC for the award ceremony at the end of the day.

Entry fee is \$125.00 per person, there will be a 7:00a.m shot gun start, and a Mexican buffet luncheon.

No further comments were made.

Motion to receive and file.

4. ARTESIA PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Director Iske stated that unfortunately he does not have good news regarding new playground equipment. The State of California has frozen all funds within the Per Capita 2002 grant, this is a grant that was secured by the City specifically for new playground equipment. There is no time line to when that will change.

Director Iske stated himself and staff will be ongoing on recruiting grants, while keeping in mind if funds within the grants will even be available if considered.

No further comments were made.

Motion to receive and file.

5. SPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL BALL FIELD USER GROUP FEES

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Director Iske stated there have been numerous issues discussed during Council Meetings, regarding the finalization of the 2009 user group schedules and the approval of the facility use fees.

Director Iske stated that apart from his approval for the user group schedules, was also the approval of the facility use fees being administered to the organization's that will be using the park for 2009.

Based on an adopted document of 1996, it was identified by Director Iske that based on hours of use, each organization was going to be requested to pay for the rental of the ball fields and field lights. This information was taken to City Council and Council agreed that fees were to high. Director Iske was directed by Council to take it back to the Sports Advisory Council for further discussion.

MOTION MADE BY CHAIR PERSON SAGERT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VERDUZCO TO APPROVE BALL FIELD AND BALL FIELD LIGHT FEES IN RELATION TO THE 1996 FACILITY USE AGREEMENT, THAT WAS ENFORCED IN 1996 AND ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL.

Said motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONER(S): Sagert, Lourenco, Verduzco, Ho
NOES: COMMISSIONER(S): Orozco
ABSENT: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSTAINED: COMMISSIONER(S): None

Director Iske informed the Commission that the snack bar was left in disrepair by the Punishers Group. Director Iske has developed a three strike rule for all organizations. If this happens (3) three times they will lose their privilege to use the snack bar for the remainder of the year.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER VERDUZCO, SECONDED BY CHAIR PERSON SAGERT TO APPROVE \$25.00 PER DAY FOR SNACK BAR USAGE AND A REQUIREMENT THAT EACH ORGAZATION LEAVE SNACK BAR ACCORDING TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT STANDARDS.

Said motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONER(S): Sagert, Lourenco, Orozco, Verduzco, Ho
NOES: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSTAINED: COMMISSIONER(S): None

MOTION MADE BY CHAIRPERSON SAGERT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOURENCO TO APPROVE THAT COME MONDAY MORNING AFTER THE USAGE OF THE SNACK BAR , IF IT IS NOT LEFT ACCORDING TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT STANDARDS THE PARTICULAR ORGANAZATION WILL HAVE TO PAY \$100.00 FINE, THAT WOULD NEED TO BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN USE THE SNACK BAR AGAIN, ALONG WITH ONE STRIKE AGAINST THAT PARTICULAR ORGANAZATION AND IF THAT ORGANIZATION IS UP TO THEIR THIRD STRIKE , THEIR SNACK BAR PRIVILEGES WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF (6) SIX MONTHS.

Said motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONER(S): Sagert, Lourenco, Orozco, Verduzco, Ho
NOES: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONER(S): None
ABSTAINED: COMMISSIONER(S): None

No further comments were made.

Motion to receive and file by Chairperson Sagert

The Commission stated all fees should be paid on a month to month basis.

6. A.J PADELDFORD PARK ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Events Coordinator Jose Martinez updated the Commission on some of the programs that are taking place at A.J Padelford Park, such as E.S.L classes, Cake decorating class, Painting class, Scrapbooking class, and Tutoring classes. Staff is currently preparing for Spring break activities.

Events Coordinator Jose Martinez informed the Commission of the Public Safety Expo that will be taking place on March 07, 2009 at Artesia Park; there will be a bike ride along, recognition ceremony, puppet show, and a Sheriffs demonstration of their Narcotics dog.

No further comments were made.

Motion to receive and file.

7. ARTESIA PARK ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, AND EVENTS

Director Iske informed the Commission that this is the week that all spring contract classes will begin. Due to the positive feed back with the Zumba class, there has been an extra day added. Also Baseball opening day will take place on Saturday March 21. 2009.

Director Iske stated he will be attending the Annual Parks and Recreation Society Conference held the week of March 02-06, 2009 in Santa Clara.

No further comments were made.

STAFF REPORTS

Director Iske reported to the Commission that Council Member Victor Manalo and himself will be evaluating a proposal to City Council for action on the development of an inter- governmental agreement with the ABC Unified school district to expand Parks and Recreation programs at school facilities.

No further comments were made.

Motion was made

COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Verduzco commented on the 5K Run stating she enjoyed the event.

Commissioner Lourenco stated how pleased she is with the pre- school at Artesia Park.

ADJOURNED-PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Adjournment to the next regular Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to be held on Wednesday March 25, 2009 at 6:30pm in the City Council Chambers.

