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TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015

5:00 PM

JOSHUA TREE ROOM

YUCCA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER COMPLEX

57090 TWENTYNINE PALMS HIGHWAY

YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA 92284

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION

Gregory Hill, Commissioner

Eric Quander, Commissioner

Laurine Silver, Commissioner

Ed Keesling, Vice Chair

Randy Eigner, Chair

Curtis Yakimow, Town Manager

Susan Earnest, Community Services Manager

Maureen S. Neely, Secretary

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AGENDA

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015**

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(WHERE APPROPRIATE OR DEEMED NECESSARY, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA)

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Quander, Commissioner Silver, Vice Chair Keesling,
Chair Eigner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by _____

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission Agenda

Recommendation: Move to approve the agenda of the May 12, 2015
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission meeting.

Action Motion _____
Move _____ 2nd _____ Roll Call Vote _____

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**AGENDA
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PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015**

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1-6 1. Minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission meeting of April 14, 2015

Recommendation: Move to approve minutes as presented.

- 7-9 2. Museum Report

Recommendation: Move to receive and file the Hi Desert Nature Museum Monthly Report for April 2015.

- 10-13 3. Recreation Report

Recommendation: Move to receive and file the Recreation Monthly Report for April 2015.

- 14-16 4. Deaccession of Selected Museum Taxidermy Specimens

Recommendation: Move to approve the deaccession and sale of the identified list of taxidermy marsh bird specimens and designate the proceeds to be used for collections care and acquisitions.

Recommendation: Approve Consent Agenda (items 1-4)

Move _____ 2nd _____ Roll Call Vote _____

**AGENDA
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

17-20 5. Youth Commission 2014-15 End of Term Report

Recommendation: Receive and file the Youth Commission 2014-15 End of Term Report.

Action Motion _____
 Move _____ 2nd _____ Roll Call Vote _____

21-23 6. Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council Presentation

Recommendation: That the Commission receive the presentation by the Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council regarding the 2015 Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours; direct staff to support the event in the form of a donation of in-kind marketing services through inclusion in the Town's Fall/Winter Activities Guide and on the Town's website; and direct staff to assist the MBCAC in applying for future funding through the Town's Community Partnership program.

Action Motion _____
 Move _____ 2nd _____ Roll Call Vote _____

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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**AGENDA
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015**

STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

7. Commissioner Hill
8. Commissioner Quander
9. Commissioner Silver
10. Vice Chair Keesling
11. Chair Eigner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission is scheduled for June 9, 2015 at 4:30pm in the Joshua Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER by Community Services Manager Earnest at 4:00 p.m.

NEW COMMISSIONER OATH OF OFFICE

Town Clerk Lesley Copeland swore in Commissioners Eigner, Hill, Keesling and Quander.

ROLL CALL Commissioners present Eigner, Hill, Keesling, Quander and Silver.

Staff members present, Town Manager Yakimow, Community Services Manager Earnest, Museum Supervisor Ritter, Museum Registrar Cantu, and Secretary Neely

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Manager Earnest

1. Selection of Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Community Services Manager Earnest opened discussion on the selection of Commission Chair and Vice Chair. Manager Earnest reviewed how a selection is performed. Commissioner Silver withdrew her name from being nominated as Chair or Vice Chair.

Manager Earnest opened the floor for nominations.

Keesling nominated Eigner, Hill seconded

Quander nominated Keesling, Eigner seconded

Roll call vote for Eigner as Chair

AYES: Eigner, Hill, Keesling, Silver, Quander

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Roll Call Vote Keesling as Chair

AYES: None

NOES: Eigner, Hill, Keesling, Silver, Quander

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Eigner accepts the position as Commission Chair

Nominate and Elect Vice Chair

Eigner nominates Keesling, Quander seconds

Silver nominated Quander, Hill seconded

Roll call vote Keesling as Vice Chair

AYES: Eigner, Hill, Keesling, Silver, Quander

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Roll Call Vote Quander as Vice Chair

AYES: Quander, Silver

NOES: Eigner, Hill, Keesling,

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Commissioner Keesling accepts the position as Commission Vice Chair

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Silver moved to approve the agenda of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission meeting of April 14, 2015. Vice Chair Keesling seconded. Motioned carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

AYES: Hill, Keesling, Silver, Quander, Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA

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3. 2014-15 Youth Commission Roster Change

Recommendation: Approve the removal of Taysha Boyas from the 2014-2015 Youth Commission.

4. Review of Spring & Summer 2015 programs and events

Recommendation: That the Commission receive and file the report outlining the spring/summer 2015 programs and events organized and conducted by the Community Services Department.

Commissioner Silver moved to approve the Consent Agenda items 3-4. Commissioner Keesling seconded. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

AYES: Quander, Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

5. Recreation Report

Community Service Manager Earnest presented the staff report on the last few months of recreation reports. She reviewed some of the highlights of the staff reports. Commissioner Keesling inquired on craft fair attendance. Commissioner Hill inquired on the Youth Commission.

Commissioner Silver moved to receive and file the Recreation Monthly Reports for October, November and December 2014. January, February and March 2015. Commissioner Quander seconded. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

AYES: Quander, Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES : None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. Hi Desert Nature Museum Report

Supervisor Ritter presented the staff report on the Hi Desert Nature Museum monthly reports. Supervisor Ritter commented on how advertising and partnerships are accomplished for the Museum. Vanessa Cantu, Museum Registrar and Exhibit Coordinator gave an update on the inventory process of the Museum. Town Manager

Yakimow stated that from time to time items may come before the Commission for ascension or deaccession.

Commissioner Keesling moved to receive and file the Hi Desert Nature Museum Monthly Reports for November and December 2015. January, February and March 2015. Commissioner Silver seconded. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

AYES: Quander Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

7. Hi Desert Nature Museum 2014-2016 Strategic Plan

Museum Supervisor Ritter opened discussion on the 2014-2016 Hi Desert Nature Museum Strategic Plan. In October 2014, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commissioners reviewed the Hi Desert Nature Museum's 2014-2016 draft strategic plan and provided revisions and comments that have been incorporated in the version provided. Manager Ritter inquired if there were any additional comments the commissioners would like to add to the document. Supervisor Ritter also responded to commission inquires and explained the relationships that the Nature Museum has with other local and state Museums.

Commissioner Quander moved to receive and file the Hi Desert Nature Museum 2014-2016 Strategic Plan as presented. Commissioner Silver seconded. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

AYES: Quander, Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8. Commission Meeting Schedule

Manager Earnest presented the staff report on the commission meeting. She reported that currently the commission meets on the second Tuesday of February, April, May, June, October and December. Discussion with staff concluded that a meeting in September would be useful due to the timing of Youth Commission applications.

With discussion it was decided to change the time of the meeting from 4:00pm to 4:30pm and to add the month of September to the meeting month schedule.

Commissioner Silver moved to add September to the meeting monthly schedule and change the time to 4:30pm. Commissioner Hill seconded. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

AYES: Quander, Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. Youth Commission Update

Manager Earnest gave an update on the accomplishments of the 2014-2015 Youth Commission. The commission performed an anti-bullying outreach which included student surveys and an anti-bullying message to the middle school students. The youth commissioners also participated in several special events.

They are continuing to review the Parks Use Ordinance with regards to no smoking areas and review the need for additional sidewalks in the community. Applications for commissioners for the 2015-2016 term are due by October 1, 2015 and will come before the PRC Commission at the October 12 meeting.

Vice Chair Keesling moved to receive and file the monthly Youth Commission report. Commission Quander second. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote

AYES: Quander, Silver, Hill, Keesling and Chair Eigner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Youth Commission 2014-2015 term report

A presentation from the Square Dance Club in Yucca Valley

Grant funding at Paradise Park

Trails ~ North and South Park

A presentation from Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council

PUBLIC COMMENT

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STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Community Services Manager Earnest;

- Invited the commissioners to Earth Day Conservation Fair, Saturday, April 18 at the Community Center complex 9:00am to 2:00pm free admission.
- Youth basketball some teams finished in first place in the final tournaments.
- Jacobs Park will have new playground equipment by end of June.
- Invited the commission to be a part of the Grubstake Days parade.
- Grubstakes Run Sunday, May 25 starting and ending at Yucca Valley High School.
- Will be doing a parks tour with the commissioners. Maureen Neely will call and set up date and times.
- Staff will order business cards for the commissioners.
- Staff will be sending a link to the commissioners for AB 1234: Ethics Training for Local Officials.
- Town Manager Yakimow congratulated Randy Eigner for being seated as Chair. Yakimow stated his door is always open to the commissioners.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- 10.. Chair Eigner thanked everyone for electing him chair.
11. Commissioner Hill inquired on a trails update.
12. Vice Chair Keesling stated he is glad to be on the commission.
13. Commissioner Quander stated he is looking forward to the parks tour.
14. Commissioner Silver mentioned she is happy to have other commissioners. Silver also inquired on no smoking signs above the benches near the entrance door of the Senior Center and directional arrows on the road in front of the building.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

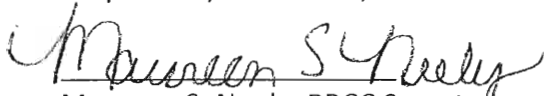
Time, date and place of the next Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission meeting

The next meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission is scheduled for May 12, 2015 at 4:00pm in the Joshua Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Maureen S. Neely, PRCC Secretary
Community Services Department

PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation, Cultural Commission
From: Stefanie Ritter, Museum Program Supervisor
Date: May 1, 2015
For Commission Meeting: May 12, 2015

Subject: Museum Report

Prior Commission Review: The Commission receives a monthly Museum report and update from staff.

Recommendation: Receive and file the monthly museum report for April 2015.

Summary: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission is appointed by the Town Council to serve in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the primary activities of the Community Services Department. The Commission is also designated by the Council as the Museum Advisory Commission. This report is intended to inform the Commissioners of current exhibitions, events and activities at the Hi-Desert Nature Museum and to create an opportunity for Commission questions and discussion.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question (Roll Call Vote, Consent Agenda)


Discussion:

Current Temporary Exhibits:

The "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Desert Moods" exhibit ran through April 25, 2015. The Copper Mountain College Art Show will be on display from April 30 through May 30, 2015.

Museum Attendance

The month of April brought 2,989 visitors to the museum. The museum was open for 13 days during the month of April.

Reviewed By: _____ _____ _____  _____
 Town Manager Town Attorney Mgmt Services Dept Head

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Museum Revenues

The museum received \$260 through the museum's donation box, \$20 for sponsorship, and \$130 for Earth Day Booths in April 2015.

Upcoming Programs and Special Events

Fri., May 1, Copper Mountain Community College Art Show Reception

Wed., May 13, MBHS presents "Flint Knapping" with Tony Soares

Sat., May 16, Kid EdVentures "Drawing"

Thur., May 21, Brown Bag Lunch Lecture "Organic Vegetable Gardening" with Dona Jenkins, Master Gardener

Advertising and Promotion:

During the month of April the Hi-Desert Nature Museum sent press releases regarding programs and special events to the following media outlets: Copper Mountain Broadcasting, Desert Entertainer, Desert Post Weekly, Desert Sun, Desert Trail, Hi-Desert Star, KESQ, KNEWS, KVCR, Palm Springs Desktop, Press Enterprise, San Bernardino Sun, Sun Runner, and Z107.7.

The museum's web site, www.hidesertnaturemuseum.org and Facebook page are continually updated with current exhibits, events, and programs. The museum can be followed on Twitter and Instagram.

The electronic newsletter, "Tortoise Tales," was sent to 1408 recipients on April 3, 2015.

Museum Progress on Projects and Programs in April:

Project/Program	Status	Notes
Conducted Fieldtrip	Completed	April 1, Hope Academy Attendance: 40 students Kindergarten and 1 st grade
Conducted one MBHS Lecture	Completed	April 8, "Flora of the Morongo Basin" with Darrell Shade" Attendance: 32
Conducted Earth Day Faire	Completed	April 18, Attendance: > 2,500
Inventory	In Progress	Room 3 completed Room 2 in progress
Collections Maintenance	In Progress	Prepared Marsh Birds for transfer
Address visitor inquiries regarding desert ecology and local history	Ongoing	
Continue developing partnerships with local agencies and community organizations	Ongoing	

Reviewed by: Staff

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission
From: Sue Earnest, Community Services Manager
Date: May 5, 2015
For Commission Meeting: May 12, 2015

Subject: Recreation Monthly Report for April 2015

Prior Commission Review: The Commission receives a report on monthly Recreation activities and update from staff.

Recommendation: That the Commission receive and file the monthly recreation report for the month of April 2015.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission is appointed by the Town Council to serve in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the primary activities of the Community Services Department. The attached report is intended to inform the Commissioners of recent activity in the Town’s Recreation Division, and to create an opportunity for Commission questions and discussion.

Alternatives: None recommended

Attachments: Monthly Activity Report – April 2015

Reviewed By: _____ _____ _____  _____
 Town Manager Town Attorney Admin Services Dept Head

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Town of Yucca Valley
Community Services Department - Recreation Division
Monthly Report - Events & Programs - April 2015

SPECIAL EVENTS	Ages	Fee	Day/Date	Participation	Status / Issues / Comments
Easter Egg Hunt	8 and under	none	4/4	450	The annual Easter Egg Hunt was a big success with children ages 8 and under hunting for prize and candy filled eggs, meeting the Easter Bunny, and participating in themed contests. The event took place on the community center soccer field. Youth Commissioners volunteered and were a terrific asset. Mayor hosted and was wonderful.
Grubstakes Run	All	\$18 per person	5/24	TBD	Promotional brochures will be distributed to local businesses, COC and organizations, and mailed to current customers by 4/17.
Summer Music Festival	All	none	7/11, 7/18, 7/25 8/1, 8/8, 8/15	TBD	Band line-up: Silverado (Country/Classic Rock) Nitro Express (Country/Classic Rock) The Wiseguys (Big Band) House Party (Dance Cover/Rock) Lavation (U2 Tribute) MC Band (tentative)
On the Farm Family Fun Day	All	none	8/1/2015 10a-3p	TBD	As an extension of the Eat Well, Play Well exhibit, this Family Fun Day will focus on the source of the food we eat with an "On the Farm" theme. Participants will learn about life on a farm and enjoy fun activities including Hay Rides, a scarecrow contest, petting zoo and more! The event is a joint presentation by Museum and Rec staff.
Adult Excursions	18+	varies	5/8 8/12	33 TBD	Two trips are offered: Huell Howser Tribute - Orange, CA - 5/8 \$55 Lake Arrowhead Cruise - 8/12 - \$80
SPORTS	Ages	Fee	Day/Date	Participation	Status / Issues / Comments
Aquatics	All	Swim Lessons \$45/8 lessons Fun & Fitness \$4 per session \$3 w/swim pass	Preseason 5/2 - 6/21 Season (pool open) 6/22 - 8/15	TBD	Advertising swim program through school flyers & activity guide. Preparing/promoting for May Lifeguard Certification Course. Conducting Mgr and Asst. Mgr recruitment. Contacting returning staff members.

Spring Adult Softball	18 up	\$400 per team	Mar 23 - June 5	20 teams (320 players)	Registration is completed for spring season with 20 of 24 spots filled. The two coed leagues (Traditional and Casual) sold out with 12 teams total, Ladies and Mens league have 4 teams each. Games take place at the YVCC ball field Mon-Thurs evenings.
Girls Volleyball Camp	18 up	\$75 per player	Aug 3-6	TBD	Registration is open for summer volleyball camp. Campers receive volleyball instruction/activities, daily Fun Swim & camp shirt.
YOUTH PROGRAMS	Ages	Fee	Day/Date	Participation	Status / Issues / Comments
Youth Commission	Grades 7-12	none	Nov-June	20 Commissioners appointed, 4 alternates	Youth Commissioners volunteered at the Easter Egg Hunt and are continuing with their student survey on bullying. They will present results and anti-bullying message at their middle school forum at LCMS on May 20th. They are also planning an entry in the Grubstakes Parade. Final activities will include presentation to the PRCC on May 12, meeting on May 18, Forum on May 20, Parade on May 23, Meeting on June 1, TC recognition on June 2.
H-2-OH!	10 & under	none	6/19, 7/3, 7/17, 7/31, 8/14	TBD	Program takes place alternating Fridays at the Community Center on north lawn. Rec staff sets up a variety of water toys, slip n slides, etc.
Paradise Park Family Fun Days	All	no charge	Saturday, 7/11 11:00a-2:00 pm Friday, 8/7 8pm	TBD	Planning is underway for the Paradise Family Fun Days returning to Paradise Park this summer with two presentations: July 11: Kids' Splash Day will feature an inflatable water slide, water games, free hotdogs and snow cones. Aug 7: Frozen Movie Night will feature the movie plus free popcorn and frosty treats.
Eat Well, Play Well Youth Summer Camp	6 and up	\$20/week (6 weeks offered)	6/23 - 7/16	TBD	Joint program with the Hi Desert Nature Museum. Rec staff will host two weeks that focus on encouraging physical activity in youth. The program takes place Tues-Thurs for 4 weeks from 9 am to noon. Each week will feature a different theme.

**Town of Yucca Valley
Community Services Department - Recreation Division
Enrichment Activities -April 2015**

	Class #	Ages	Fee	Meeting Days	April	Comments
Session Classes - Pre registration required						
Bellydance, Beginning	244	10 & over	\$35/6 meetings	Wed. 6-7p	7	
Bellydance, Intermediate	245	10 & over	\$35/6 meetings	Wed 7-8pm	7	
Gymnastics, Beginning	167	6 & over	\$35/month	Mon 4-4:55p	36	
Gymnastics, Intermediate	167	10 & over	\$35/month	Mon 5-5:55p	47	
Kinder Gym	167	3-5 yrs	\$25/month	Mon 3:30-4p	44	
Gymnastics, Rhythmic	167	6 & over	\$35/month	Mon 6-6:55p	0	Sessions 1 canceled/low enrollment
Tai Chi Chuan	214	All	\$30/month	Wed 6-7:30p	29	
Basic Dog Obedience	241	16 & over	\$135/6 weeks	Thur 5:30-7:30p	11	
Adv. Dog Obedience	241	16 & over	\$175/6 weeks	Thur 4:00-5:30p	0	Feb, April session Canceled/no enrollment
Drop-In Classes						
Yucca Valley Bridge Club	195	18 & over	\$2/meeting	Fri 12:30-4p	43	
Thursday Bridge	207	18 & over	\$2/meeting	Thurs 12 -4p	53	
Pinochle	193	18 yrs & over	\$2/meeting	Fri. 1-5p	31	
Knit & Crochet	211	16 & over	\$2/meeting	Thurs. 9:15a -12:15p	65	
Mom, Dad & Me	190	2-5 yrs	\$2/meeting	Mon 10:30-11:30a	n/a	suspended
Open Art Studio	197	18 & over	\$2/meeting	Thurs 9a-12p	61	
Woodcarving	196	16 & over	\$2/meeting	Tues 9-12p	23	
Senior Wii		18 yrs & over	no charge	W12:30-3:30p	29	
Stretch N' Tone	191	All	\$2/meeting	Mon-Fri 9-10a	172	
Table Tennis	210	14 & over	\$2/meeting	Fri. 3-5pm	38	
Open Table Tennis	210	18 & over	\$2/meeting	Wed 2-5p	47	
Western Line Dance -Social	198	18 yrs & over	\$2/meeting	Mon 5-7p	42	
Line Dance - Instructional	216	18 yrs & over	\$3/meeting	Thurs 1-3p	43	
Total					828	

* n/a: No class offered

PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation, Cultural Commission
From: Stefanie Ritter, Museum Supervisor
Date: May 1, 2015
For Commission Meeting: May 12, 2015

Subject: Deaccession of Selected Museum Taxidermy Specimens

Prior Commission Review: None.

Recommendation: Move to approve the deaccession and sale of the identified list of taxidermy marsh bird specimens and designate the proceeds to be used for collections care and acquisitions.

Summary: The Hi-Desert Nature Museum’s Collection Policy provides for the deaccessioning of objects that no longer fulfill the museum’s mission. The taxidermy marsh birds previously on display in the Diorama Room are not relevant to the museum’s exhibits and programs and have been identified as appropriate for deaccession. The Sonny Bono Salton Sea National Wildlife Refuge Complex has offered to accession the birds and utilize them in exhibits for educational interpretation.

Order of Procedure:

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- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

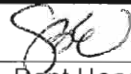
Discussion: The Hi Desert Nature Museum’s Collection Policy provides for the deaccessioning of objects that no longer fulfill the museum’s mission. In 2007, the museum completed a renovation plan for the permanent exhibitions which included the removal of taxidermy specimens not native to the local desert environment and updating the dioramas with desert animals, since then the marsh birds were boxed up in the collections room. The marsh birds have been identified as unrelated to the museum’s mission and staff recommends the deaccession of these taxidermy specimens from the permanent collections.

Reviewed By:

Town Manager

Town Attorney

Mgmt Services



Dept Head

Department Report

Ordinance Action

Resolution Action

Public Hearing

Consent

Minute Action

Receive and File

Study Session

Following is a list of the marsh birds proposed to be deaccessioned.

- 1 American White Pelican
- 1 Tundra Swan
- 2 Northern Shoveler
- 4 Wood Duck
- 3 Mallard Duck
- 2 Gadwall
- 4 Green-Winged Teal
- 2 Western Grebe
- 2 Canada Goose
- 2 American Wigeon
- 2 Eared Grebe
- 2 Ruddy Duck

The collection policy provides for disposition of deaccessioned objects through various means. Since museums maintain their collections as a public trust, the preferred method of deaccession is through donation or sale to a non-profit, educational organization. Chris Schoneman, with the Sonny Bono Salton Sea National Wildlife Refuge agreed to accession the taxidermy specimens and to display them properly. The marsh birds are native to the Salton Sea area and can be used in support of their mission for educational programs.

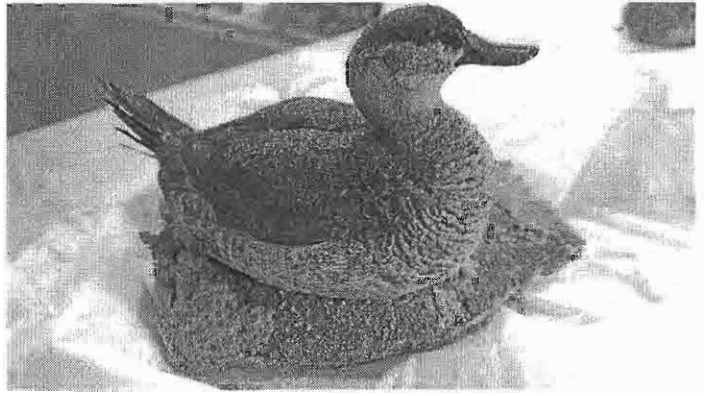
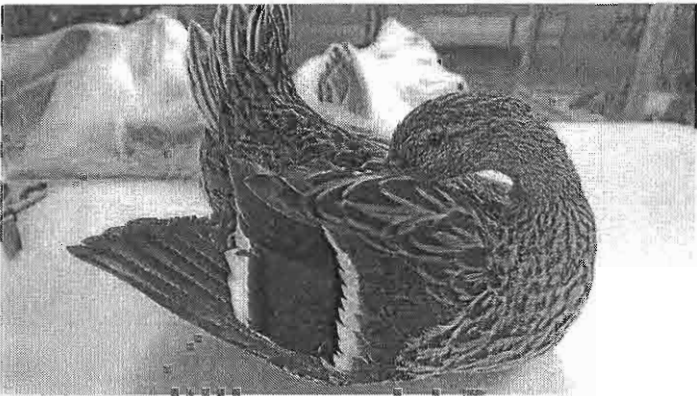
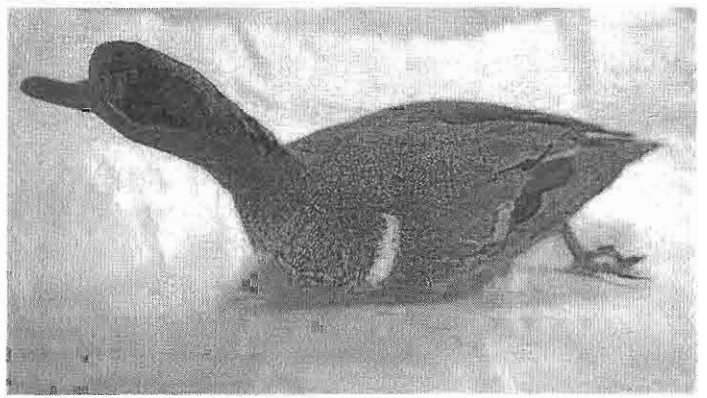
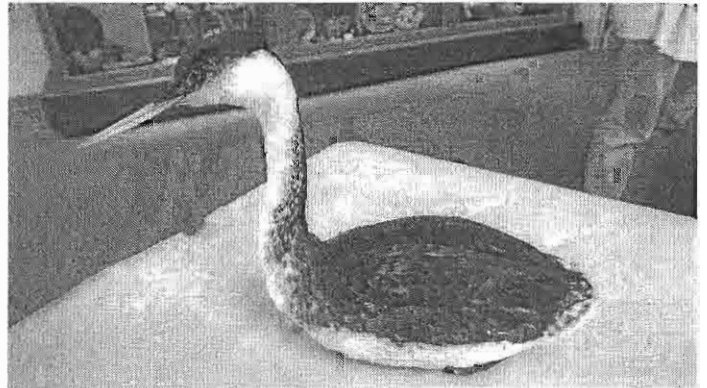
The American Association of Museums has established museum ethics for the deaccession of collections. Their code of ethics states that proceeds from the sale of collections are to be used consistent with the established standards of the museum's discipline, but in no event shall they be used for anything other than acquisition or direct care of collections. Therefore, the \$100 received from the sale of the marsh birds to the Sonny Bono Salton Sea National Wildlife Refuge Complex will be designated in a special museum account to be used for collections care and acquisitions.

Reviewed by: Staff

Alternatives: None recommended.

Fiscal Impact: Revenue of \$100

Attachments: None



PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission
From: Sue Earnest, Community Services Manager
Date: May 5, 2015
For Commission Meeting: May 12, 2015

Subject: 2014-15 Youth Commission End of Term Report

Prior Commission Review: The Commission receives a monthly and end of term Youth Commission report from staff.

Recommendation: Receive and file the end of term Youth Commission report for 2014-15.

Summary: The Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission is appointed by the Town Council to oversee the activities of the Youth Commission. The items presented in this report are to inform the commissioners of the activities of the Youth Commission, and to create an opportunity for Commission questions and discussion.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion: The Town of Yucca Valley 2014-15 Youth Commission members served from November of 2014 through June of 2015. The Youth Commission meets monthly on the first Monday with workshops scheduled as needed.

The Youth Commission has been productive during their term. Their accomplishments include collecting over 260 student surveys on bullying as well as volunteering at numerous Town events including the Halloween Spooktacular, Tree Lighting Ceremony, Festival of Lights Parade, Paradise Family Fun Days, Healthy Hearts Run and the recent Easter Egg Hunt.

The Youth Commissioners are preparing their final events of the term and planning for their forums to be held at Joshua Springs Christian School on May 14th and La Contenta Middle School on May 20th. During the forums, the commissioners will share information about Youth Commission, share their anti-bullying message, and lead the students in games and activities.

Reviewed By:

Town Manager

Town Attorney

Mgmt Services



Dept Head

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Minute Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Receive and File	<input type="checkbox"/> Study Session

The Youth Commissioners will also be participating in the Grubstake Days parade on May 23rd and will volunteer at the May 24th Grubstakes Run.

The final regular meeting for this Youth Commission will be held on June 1, 2015. Commissioners will be recognized by the Mayor and Town Council at the June 2, 2015 meeting.

Applications for commissioners for the 2015-2016 term are due by October 1, 2015 and will be presented to the PRCC at the October 12, 2015 meeting.

Alternatives: None recommended

Previously Reviewed by: Staff

Attachments: Youth Commission End of Term Highlights



Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission 2014-2015 End of Term Highlights

Presented by: Chair Aaron Ahmadi

Commission Members: Vice Chair Rachel Green, Cole Baldwin, Nicole Caguioa, Tommy Cruz, Tyler Geeson, Zoie Gianforte, Francisco Gonzalez, Miranda Green, Rachel Kee, Courtney Linzner, Vianne Militar, Joshua Pringle, Angel Rodriguez, Sarah Rodriguez, Emily Sheckler, Madison Tuttle, Aurora Valdez, Katie Young.

The 2014-2015 Youth Commission's term was from November 2014 to June 2015. The main focus of the term was to provide community service through volunteer opportunities and to raise awareness of bullying in our local schools. Highlights of the term include:

YOUTH OUTREACH

The Youth Commission performed an anonymous survey of over 250 local high school and middle school students on their experience with bullying. The results are listed below and have been incorporated in outreach materials that will be distributed at Youth Commission forums and events along with information about how to report bullying to school officials.

53% of participants reported experiencing direct bullying (pushing, shoving)

60% of participants reported experiencing indirect bullying (rumors, exclusion, mocking)

40% of participants reported experiencing cyber bullying (bullying on social media)

52% of participants reported that they intervened when they saw a friend or student being bullied.

The Youth Commission encouraged students to use the Anonymous Alert system and online reporting forms available through local schools to report bullying incidents.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Youth Commission members volunteered their time and contributed to the success of many Town events. Hundreds of residents enjoyed these fun activities including:

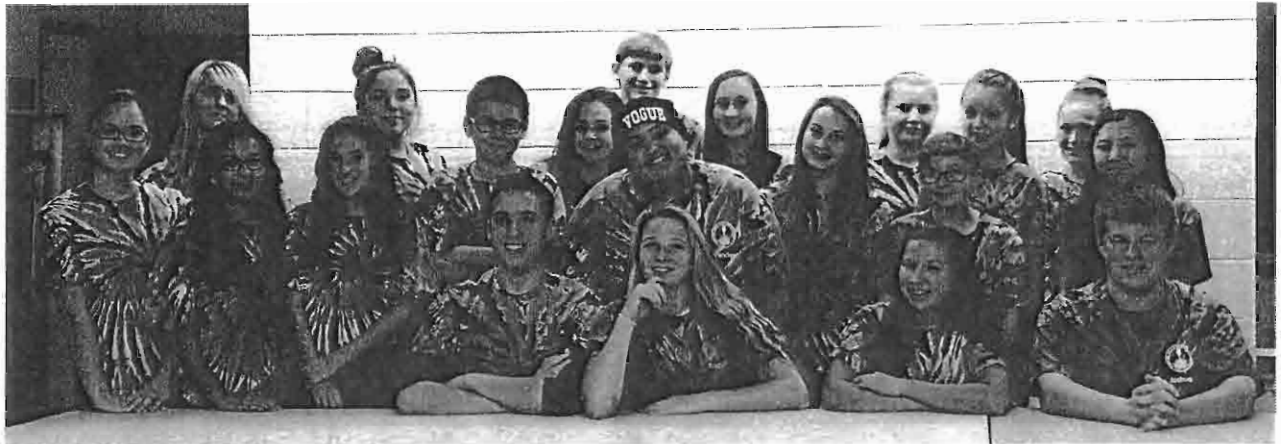
1. Halloween Spooktacular: Commissioners assisted the Recreation and Museum Staff in presenting the annual Halloween Spooktacular including a kids' dance, pumpkin carving, costume contest and crafts.
2. Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony: Commissioners got together with the Recreation Staff and pulled off an amazing event that featured an official tree lighting, crafts, hot chocolate and pictures with Santa.
3. Festival of Lights Parade: Youth Commissioners represented the Town in the parade.
4. Easter Egg Hunt: Commissioners assisted with placing goodies on the field, drawing rabbit whiskers on children and hosting game booths.
5. Paradise Family Fun Days: Youth Commissioners volunteered at the Fall Kite Day hosted by the Recreation Department.

The Youth Commission will wrap up its term with their Middle School Forums and by representing the Town at the Grubstakes Days festivities including the Patriotic Parade and Grubstakes Run.

The Youth Commission had a great time and looks forward to the next opportunity to serve the community!



Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission 2014-2015 End of Term Highlights



PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission
From: Sue Earnest, Community Services Manager
Stefanie Ritter, Museum Supervisor
Date: May 5, 2015
For Meeting: May 12, 2015

Subject: Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council Presentation

Prior Commission Review: The Commission has had no prior review of this item.

Recommendation: That the Commission receive the presentation by the Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council regarding the 2015 Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours; direct staff to support the event in the form of a donation of in-kind marketing services through inclusion in the Town's Fall/Winter Activities Guide and on the Town's website; and direct staff to assist the MBCAC in applying for future funding through the Town's Community Partnership program.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Discussion/Questions of Staff
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion: The Town recognizes the economic and quality of life contribution of the Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours and has a history of supporting the event. Through 2010, the Town allocated funds for the event through its Community Partnership program. Beginning in 2011, Town support was in the form of in-kind donations including hosting of the Art Tours Collective Show and Reception as well as providing marketing support in the Experience Yucca Valley Town publication and on Town websites, a value in excess of \$2500.00. The Town has provided these services in an alternating fashion with the city of 29 Palms through the present and was the host of the 2014 Art Tours Collective Show last fall.

Financial support beyond the present in-kind commitment would traditionally be provided through application for a Town Community Partnership. The Community Partnership applications for FY 2015-16 have been completed. Partnership applications for FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 will be available in December of 2015 with funding for FY 2016-17 partnerships available on July 1, 2016.

Reviewed By: _____
Town Manager Town Attorney Mgmt Services  Dept Head

Department Report Ordinance Action Resolution Action Public Hearing
 Consent Minute Action Receive and File Study Session

Alternatives:

Direct staff to forward a recommendation from the PRCC to the Town Council requesting Town Council approval and subsequent budget amendment to increase the FY 2015-16 General Fund Budget supporting a special allocation of funds for sponsorship of the Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours to be included in the Town's standard budget reviews; and direct staff to assist the Morongo Cultural Arts Council in completing the required Community Partnership application.

Fiscal impact: Funding of the in-kind support of the 2014 Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours was included in the FY 2014-15 Community Services budget. Due to the alternating location of the Hwy 62 Art Tours Collective Show, funding for these in-kind services is not included in the FY 2015-16 budget. Funding of ads or sponsorship of the 2015 Hwy 62 Open Studio Art Tours event would require Town Council action to amend the FY 2015-16 General Fund Budget.

Attachments: Fall/Winter 2014-15 Experience Yucca Valley guide page.

MUSEUM

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Visit our web site at www.hidesertnaturemuseum.org

for program and exhibit information.

Open 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - Saturday (Closed Sunday - Wednesday)



The Hi-Desert Nature Museum is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

Please come for a visit and celebrate with us!

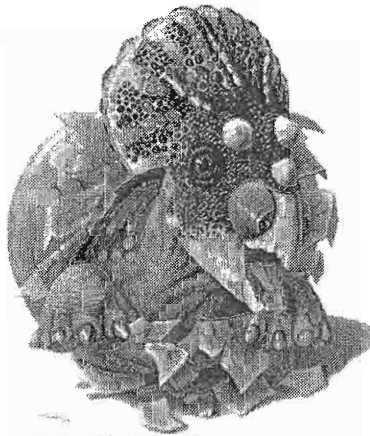


EXHIBITIONS

Hatching the Past

Dinosaur Eggs and Babies

On Display through September 22



“Hatching the Past” takes a rare and exciting look at the life of dinosaurs through their eggs, nests and embryos. “Hatching the Past” blends the arts and sciences with an astounding array of dinosaur eggs and nests collected from all over the globe, including those of each major plant and meat-eating dinosaur group. This science rich hands-on exhibit invites visitors to dig for eggs, touch a real dinosaur bone and discover the mysteries of dinosaur family life.

Art Tours Collective Show

On display October 3 - November 29

As part of the Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council's HWY 62 Art Tours 2014, the Hi-Desert Nature Museum is pleased to host the Art Tours Collective Show. This dynamic exhibition will feature the artwork of many artists participating in the Open Studio Tours being held October 25-26 and November 1-2. The HWY 62 Art Tours encompass all of the arts of the Morongo Basin during this two weekend celebration showcasing music, performance and honoring the best in visual arts. The Open Studio Tours allow the visitor to experience working studios and purchase original art directly from the artists.

Exhibit Reception at the museum
Friday, October 3, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.,
FREE to the Public

