

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY  
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER** by Chair Evans at 4:00pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** led by Commissioner Harman

**ROLL CALL** Commissioners present: Commissioner Silver, Commissioner Harman, Commissioner Jones, Vice Chair Collins and Chair Evans.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Action      Motion: **Move to approve the agenda of the September 11 2012 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission meeting.**

Move: Silver    2<sup>nd</sup>: Collins      Vote: 5-0-0-0

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2. **MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 14, 2012**

Recommendation: **Approve minutes as presented.**

3. **MUSEUM REPORT**

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Museum Monthly report for August 2012.**

4. **RECREATION REPORT**

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Recreation Monthly reports for August 2012.**

5. **TENDER LOVING CHRISTMAS**

Recommendation: **Move to waive the facilities use fees associated with Tender Loving Christmas 2012 event**

## 6. YUCCA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GOURD ART FEST

Recommendation: **Move to approve the Sunday use of Town Facilities**

*All items listed on the consent calendar are considered to be routine or non-controversial matters. The items listed on the consent calendar may be enacted by one motion and a second. There will be no separate discussion of the consent calendar items unless a member of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission or Town staff requests discussion on specific consent calendar items at the beginning of the meeting.*

Action                      Motion: **Move to approve Consent Agenda items 2-6. Note: Vice Chair Collins abstained from voting on item #6**

Move: Harmon            2<sup>nd</sup>: Jones            Vote: 5-0-0-0

## 7. YOUTH COMMISSION APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Director Schooler reported on the 2012-13 Youth Commission applicants. Staff has received eleven applications. Chair Evans stated he enjoys working with the Youth Commission. He asked the applicants that were in attendance to stand and state their name and why they applied to be a commissioner.

Hanna Bogue, London Caldwell, Tyler Geeson, Francisco Gonzalez, Rachel Green, Nathan Lafferty, Nicholas Lombardo, Amanda Olsen, Blake Rowe, Wade Shaver, Sean Vincent

Action                      Motion: **Move to recommend to Town Council appointment of the above mentioned applicants to the 2012-13 Youth Commission.**

Move: Collins            2<sup>nd</sup> Silver            Vote: 5-0-0-0

## 8. PARKS NAMING POLICY

Director Schooler reported that at the August 14 meeting staff provided copies of park naming policies from several other cities and asked the Commissioners to review the policies and provide feedback regarding the criteria and process that would serve Yucca Valley's purposes. Director Schooler incorporated the input into a draft and reviewed the draft policy with the commission. Chair Evans suggested that a park name proposal form be included for the public to fill out when making suggestions for park names.

Action            Motion: **Move to forward a commission recommendation to the Town council to approve and adopt the Park and Facility Naming Policy as submitted with the additional item regarding the proposal form and process for submitting it.**

Move: Collins            2<sup>nd</sup> Jones            Vote: 5-0-0-0

## **9. COMMISSION APPOINTMENT TO THE GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Director Schooler reported on a request to have a Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commissioner appointed to the General Plan Advisory Committee. The General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) is an ad hoc committee of citizens and commission representatives commonly established during a general plan update for the purposes of assisting staff and consultants in the preparation of a general plan. The GPAC is scheduled to begin in late September and to conclude within six months.

With discussion, the commissioners agreed to select Chair Evans.

Action            Motion: **Move to select Chair Jeff Evans as the representative to serve on the General Plan Advisory Committee**

Move: Collins            2<sup>nd</sup> Silver            Vote: 5-0-0-0

## **STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS**

Director Schooler reported on the progress of South Side Community Park. The park is moving along, sod has been laid, playground equipment, shade shelter and dog park amenities are in. Grand opening and ribbon cutting will be Saturday, October 13. Construction at Brehm Park is continuing. Lights on the field are coming soon.

Summer activities are done. Swim lessons, day camps, Concerts in the Park all did well. Staff will be having a meeting with the sheriff's department to discuss the enforcement of park rules.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – none

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

**1. Commissioner Silver:** Commissioner Silver thanked staff for the signage around the building and park rules, but she doesn't see any "No skateboards on sidewalks". Director Schooler stated it is painted on some on the walkways. Commissioner Silver thanked staff getting through the summer it's amazing what the Town has to offer for people to do.

**2. Commissioner Jones:** Commissioner Jones agreed with Commissioner Silver's comment regarding that there is a lot to do in the Town.

**3. Commissioner Harman:** Commissioner Harman thanked the town staff for all they do. He is impressed with the Youth Commission. Commissioner Harman stated he likes the new look of the sculptures, the Goddess of Flight and the Saber Tooth Tiger look amazing.

**4. Chair Collins:** Vice Chair Collins invited all to attend the fundraiser for Brehm Youth Sports Park, September 18.

**5. Chair Evans:** Chair Evans attended the Sports Council meeting, where Sue Earnest talked about the Punt, Pass and Kick event and the opening of Basketball season.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission will be on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 4:00pm in the Joshua Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 4:39pm

Respectfully submitted,

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Maureen S. Randall, PRCC Secretary  
Community Services Department