

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY**  
**YOUTH COMMISSION**  
**Monday, January 20, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER** The regular meeting of the Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Vice Chair Green

**ROLL CALL** Commissioners present were: Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Geeson, Vice Chair Green, Commissioner Hayes, Commissioner Idnani, Commissioner Lafferty, Commissioner Linzner, Commissioner Moffitt.

Absent: Commissioners Ahmadi, Bogue, Bracamonte, and Gonzalez.

Excused: Commissioners Rowe, Caguioa, and Green.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Commissioner Lafferty.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Action	Motion:	<b>Commissioner Lafferty moved to approve the January 20, 2014 Youth Commission Agenda.</b>
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Move: Lafferty      2<sup>nd</sup> Geeson      Vote: 8-0-0

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action	Motion:	<b>Vice Chair Green moved to approve the December 2, 2013 Youth Commission Minutes.</b>
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Move: Green      2<sup>nd</sup> Moffitt      Vote: 8-0-0

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**STAFF REPORTS**

1. Review of Town Regulations Regarding No Smoking Areas in Town Parks

Recreation Supervisor, Sue Earnest, explained that the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission had requested that the Youth Commission review the Town's regulations regarding no smoking areas at Town parks. She presented the existing Facility Policy and Parks Ordinance and discussed with the Commissioners about possible revisions to these regulations. The Commission discussed the regulations as well as the placement of No Smoking signs at local parks including Essig Park, the Community Center, the soccer field, softball field, basketball courts, library, playground and snack bar. The Commission was in favor of revising the language of the Parks Ordinance to include the more specific language from the Facility Policy regarding smoking restrictions. They were also in favor of adding additional language requiring an escalating fine upon each violation beginning with \$100.00 and increasing thereafter. They were interested in placing no smoking signage at the entrance to each facility area, such as playground or athletic field, that included the fine amount and ordinance number. They were in favor of placing a cigarette butt disposal receptacle next to each sign. The Commissioners then directed staff to return the item at the next meeting so they could get input from the absent members before proceeding with a final recommendation.

### **STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Discuss possible rescheduling or cancellation of February 17, 2014 meeting due to Presidents Day and Morongo Unified School District Holiday.

The Commission directed staff to cancel the meeting of February 17, 2014 and proceed with scheduling the meeting on March 3, 2014.

2. Discuss scheduling of upcoming video shoot and middle school forums.

Because many of the Commissioners were absent, Vice Chair Green suggested they wait until more Commissioners can attend before they discuss anything concerning the video; the other commissioners agreed.

3. Update on success of holiday volunteer activities.

Recreation supervisor, Sue Earnest, thanked the commissioners who helped with the Tree Lighting Ceremony, the Craft Faire, and Light Parade.

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

1. Commissioner Caldwell      Good to be back
2. Commissioner Geeson:      No comment.
3. Vice Chair Green:          No comment
4. Commissioner Hayes:        Sucks everyone couldn't be here.
5. Commissioner Idnani:        No comment
6. Commissioner Lafferty:     No comment
7. Commissioner Linzner:      No comment
8. Commissioner Moffitt:      No comment

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next scheduled meeting of the Youth Commission will be Monday, February 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ocotillo Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Green adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m. January 20, 2014.

Respectfully submitted

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Sue Earnest  
Youth Commission Staff Liaison/Acting Secretary