

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Thursday, February 28, 2013
COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Deanne Gonzales
Pandora-Nash Karner
Bruce Hilton
Kenny Dahlen
Chairperson Connie O’Henley

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Curtis Black, Mike Mesker and Shaun Cooper

Pledge of Allegiance

1. This is the time that is reserved for the flag salute.

Chairperson O’Henley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

2. This is the time set for public comment on items that do not appear on the agenda.

Chairperson O’Henley opens the floor to public comment.

Mr. Ken Whittle of Nipomo gave an informational presentation on the Nipomo Community Park Gazebo construction project by the Nipomo Rotary Club and answered Commissioner’s questions.

Mr. Josh Heptig, Golf Superintendent, spoke on his efforts to align the Golf Advisory Committee with other sub-committees under the Parks and Recreation Commission and said would come back to this Commission with a report in April. He answered Commissioner questions along with **Mr. Black**.

Commissioners' Adjustments to Agenda

3. This is the time set for any proposed adjustments to today's agenda.

There are no adjustments to today’s agenda.

Commissioners' Comments and Outreach

4. This is the time set for Commissioner remarks on their outreach efforts since the previous meeting.

Commissioner Nash-Karner attended a recent meeting trying to resurrect the concept of a 3rd Street walkway in Baywood Park to the Sweet Springs conservancy and will report more later.

Commissioner Hilton attended a Cal Poly basketball game with his winnings from the Volunteer Barbecue, went on a camping trip to Santa Margarita Lake with his son, and spoke on work on public access to the Garcia wilderness.

Commissioner Dahlen took his family on a picnic to Santa Margarita Lake and they enjoyed the various trails.

Commissioner Gonzales remarked on the need for more rain and has been busy with ranching activities.

Chairperson O’Henley went on a fishing trip to Lopez Lake.

Approve Draft Minutes From Previous Meeting

5. This is the time set for consideration and acceptance of the previous meeting minutes.

Commissioners review the minutes from the January meeting. A motion was made.

THE JANUARY 24, 2013 MINUTES ARE ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN.

Motion by: Bruce Hilton
Second by: Kenny Dahlen

COMMISSIONERS	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
O'Henley, Connie	x			
Gonzalez, Deanne			x	
Hilton, Bruce	x			
Nash-Karner, Pandora			x	
Dahlen, Kenny	x			

Trails Advisory Committee Report

- 6. This is the time set for a report on the latest Trails Advisory Committee meeting. This item is skipped when no meeting has occurred.

There is no report this month.

Staff Reports

- 7. Recommend Parks Public Facilities Fees Funding for the Templeton to Atascadero Connector. Districts 1 and 5.

Mr. Shaun Cooper, Senior Parks Planner, gave a presentation on the Templeton to Atascadero Connector Trail and asked the Commissioners to adopt staff's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. He answered Commissioners questions.

Chairperson O'Henley opens the floor to public comment without response.

After further discussion a motion was made.

THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION ADOPTS STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE PARKS PFF FUNDING OF \$5,200 CONSULTANT COSTS AND \$40,000 AS A LOCAL MATCH FOR \$200,000 IN TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT FUNDING FOR THE TEMPLETON TO ATASCADERO CONNECTOR PROJECT.

Motion by: Kenny Dahlen
Second by: Deanne Gonzalez

COMMISSIONERS	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
O'Henley, Connie	x			
Gonzalez, Deanne	x			
Hilton, Bruce	x			
Nash-Karner, Pandora	x			
Dahlen, Kenny	x			

- 8. Create park maintenance projects to repair Rios Caledonia exterior walls, provide Pool Lifts for County pools, renovate portion of Bob Jones Trail at Blue Heron Drive, and provide design and engineering to restore Cayucos Pier.

Mr. Curtis Black, Deputy Director-Parks, spoke about the need for various maintenance projects and asked Commissioners to adopt staff's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to approve the maintenance projects. He answered Commissioners questions.

Chairperson O'Henley opens the floor to public comment.

Mr. Shaun Cooper spoke.

After further discussion a motion was made by **Commissioner Nash-Karner** to adopt staff’s recommendations. After no second to the motion was forthcoming, the motion failed and Commissioners had further discussion with **Mr. Black** answering additional questions. Regarding the Rios Caledonia and Cayucos Pier projects, Commissioners cited concerns including: the projects have high costs; the desire for residents to donate funding; the possibility of doing short-term work or deferring the work for several more years; work at Cayucos Pier would benefit the County Golf program through rent credits; and, a desire for more information. Another motion was made.

THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CREATE THE PARK MAINTENANCE PROJECT TO PROVIDE POOL LIFTS FOR COUNTY POOLS AT A COST OF \$96,000 AND CREATE A PROJECT TO RENOVATE PORTION OF BOB JONES TRAIL AT BLUE HERON DRIVE AT A COST OF \$14,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$110,000 AND PLACE THE REMAINING \$490,000 FUNDING INTO PARK DESIGNATED RESERVES .

Motion by: Bruce Hilton
Second by: Deanne Gonzalez

COMMISSIONERS	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
O'Henley, Connie	x			
Gonzalez, Deanne	x			
Hilton, Bruce	x			
Nash-Karner, Pandora		x		
Dahlen, Kenny	x			

Deputy Director-Parks' Report

9. This is the time set for the Deputy Director of Parks report.

Mr. Curtis Black reported on efforts to prepare for the Lost at Sead Memorial for the Cayucos Pier, volunteer work projects at the Botanical Gardens , Cayucos Beach Playground equipment installation begins in April, a proposal for “smart” signage on the Bob Jones Trail, efforts on the Santa Margarita to Garden Farms trail and a thanks to SLOPOST for providing funding for the surveyor work, reported the California Parks & Recreation Society gave a Champion of the Community Award to Paula O’Farrell for her efforts on dog parks throughout the County, reported County Parks won the Agency Showcase award for the new Parks logo and slogan “Think Outside”, spoke on the upcoming Commissioners field trip, and asked Commissioners if an alternate to **Commissioner Hilton** for TAC meeting appearances should be named. **Commissioner Nash-Karner** volunteered to be the alternate.

Approve letters of donation

10. This is the time set for the Chairperson to acknowledge and accept any Letters of Donation received.

There are no Letters of Donation to accept this month.

Adjournment

11. Adjourn Meeting

Having no further business the meeting is adjourned.