

**PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES
MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2020**

Chair Duncan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
Commissioner Fiormonti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present:	Chair Duncan	Commissioner Graybehl
	Vice Chair Uresti	Commissioner Pommier
	Commissioner Fiormonti	

Absent:	Commissioner Daly	Commissioner Gurrola
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Oral Communications – None

Approval of Minutes – **Action:** Motion was made by Vice Chair Uresti, seconded by Commissioner Graybehl to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 6, 2020, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence – None

Reports

1. Report on Council Actions from March 3, 2020

Director Moore updated the Commission on the Parks and Leisure Services items that went before City Council since the Commission last met. The items included:

Authorization of Street Closure for Music on Main - This annual item went before Council to receive their approval to close the portion of Cleveland Avenue between Main and the alley just east of Centennial Park from 4:00-9:00 PM on the first Friday of April-June and September-October. Council is the only one who may authorize closure of a street. Music on Main has added Music and Market on Main the First Friday's of the month to add some vendors and other enhancements to the free concert series. Music on Main is presented by the Porterville Chamber of Commerce and the City of Porterville.

Authorization of Overnight Camping at OHV Park for 2020 Racing Series Events- Council approved the Commission's recommendation to authorize overnight camping for racing events at the OHV Park during 2020. The City's Municipal Code does not permit overnight camping on City facilities, thus the request for authorization is needed.

Authorization to Contract with Fun & Game Rentals for Kids Fest Amusement Rides- City Council authorized the expenditure of \$10,400 for City staff to contract with Fun & Game Rentals who provides the amusement rides for Kids Fest. Any expenditure exceeding \$5,000 requires Council action.

Scheduled Matters

1. 2020 Department Projects-

Director Moore provided a slide presentation of some of the upcoming projects that the department will be focusing on throughout 2020 and beyond. The list of projects included: Centennial Plaza signage, Henry Street Property phase 1, Veterans Park turf improvement between pavilions 1 & 2, Zalud and Veterans Park restroom renovations,

Pool exterior shade, Pool interior shade, Henderson & Olive Avenue medians, City Hall digital signage, Prop 68 grant application and Tule River Parkway demonstration gardens.

Action: Informational item

2. CDBG Park Improvement Projects Update

Director Moore introduced the item stating that the annual CDBG oversight committee meeting was held the night prior to this meeting. The Action Plan budget for the upcoming fiscal year consisted of two items pertaining to Parks and Leisure. The first is the Youth Center funding which \$110,875 is dedicated to. The other item is the Parks Improvement Program which \$66,673 is set aside for parks projects in the coming fiscal year.

Action: Information item

3. Parks Maintenance Report

Parks Superintendent Darren Maddox provided an update to the Commission on recent projects which included: continuing the clearing out of the Veterans Park slough, irrigation at the Sports Complex, tree trimming at Veterans Park, Veterans Park irrigation, installation of two benches at Veterans Park and replaced the vandalized monument at Veterans Park.

Action: Informational item

4. Leisure Activities Report

Leisure Services Specialist Amy Graybehl reported on the Leisure activities. The items of discussion were: youth and adult sports update, Wall of Fame ceremony has a new date of April 9, upcoming Youth Fishing Derby is sold out, Kids Fest is March 28 and Red Cross classes are on the horizon.

Action: Informational item

5. Schedule Items for Future Meetings

Director Moore mentioned a few items that will be included in the next agenda are the Military Banner Program, OHV Grant public comment period and Arbor Day.

Action: Scheduling

6. Other Matters of Information

Director Moore made the Commission aware of the fact that Superintendent Maddox and Leisure Services Specialist Graybehl were recognized by Council along with others from the City for their significant efforts related to the aftermath of the library fire. Moore also mentioned the Hoagies building being used as a book drop and that the City is working on a temporary location for a library.

Action: Informational item

Adjournment

Chair Duncan adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donnie Moore, Director